



Delaware has announced that it intends to first administer the NextGen bar exam in February 2028. Visit https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen (/ exams/nextgen) to learn more about the new exam.

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Character & Fitness Investigations

NCBE conducts investigations for some application types.

MPRE Requirements

MPRE Required Yes

MPRE Minimum Passing Score 85

MPRE Score Time Parameters

Non-Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions-MPRE Requirements, MBE Score Transfers, and Attorneys' Exams

Minimum passing MPRE score 85

Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must be earned or achieved? Yes

Are MBE scores accepted for transfer from other jurisdictions? No

Is an Attorneys' Exam offered? $\,$ No $\,$

To qualify for the Attorneys' Exam, must an applicant be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? —

Attorneys' Exam fee -

Bar Exam Eligibility, Deadlines, and Fees

ABA-Approved Law School J.D. Required **No**Foreign Law Graduate Eligibility **Yes**

Bar Exam Application Filing Deadlines

Non-Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Bar Examination Application Deadlines and Fees

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Score Portability

Accepts Legacy UBE Score No

Accepts NextGen UBE Score Yes

Minimum NextGen UBE Score TBA

Date First Acceptance NextGen UBE Score TBA

Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement Yes

Accepts Transferred MBE Scores No

Bar Exam

Legacy UBE **No** NextGen UBE **Yes**

Date First Administration February 2028

Minimum Passing Score TBA

NextGen UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement Yes

NextGen Bar Exam Jurisdictions—Date of First Administration, Acceptance of Transferred Scores, and Jurisdiction-Specific Components

Date of first NextGen bar exam administration February 2028

Date accepting transferred NextGen scores TBA

Is there a jurisdiction-specific admission prerequisite? Yes

Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam Yes

Non-Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Admission by Examination

Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) Yes

Multistate Essay Examination (MEE) No

Multistate Performance Test (MPT) Yes

Jurisdiction-drafted exam (essay, multiple-choice, or performance test) $\ \mbox{\bf Yes}$

How many times may an applicant take the exam without special permission? no limit

Minimum Passing Score 143

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Non-Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Grading and Scoring

Average grading/reporting period (February/July exams) 9 weeks / 11 weeks

Are both the MBE and a written component administered? Yes

Is the written component scaled to the MBE? Yes

Are the MBE and written component scores combined? Yes

% MBE weight (of combined score) 50

% MEE and/or local essay weight (of combined score) (see suppl. remarks)

% MPT and/or local PT weight (of combined score) (see suppl. remarks)

% Local component weight (of combined score) -

Minimum passing standard for total bar exam score based on reported score scale 143

Minimum passing standard for total bar exam score based on 200-point scale 143

MPRE minimum passing standard (on scale of 50 to 150) 85

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Admission on Motion

Rules Provide for Admission on Motion No

Disclaimer

Since jurisdiction rules and policies change, NCBE strongly advises consulting the jurisdiction's bar admission agency directly for the most current information.

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