



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

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Score Portability

Accepts Legacy UBE Score **No**
 Accepts NextGen UBE Score **TBA**
 Minimum NextGen UBE Score **TBA**
 Date First Acceptance NextGen UBE Score **TBA**
 Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement **Yes**
 Accepts Transferred MBE Scores **No**

Bar Exam

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 UBE administration **February 2028**
 Minimum passing NextGen UBE score **TBA**
 Date accepting transferred NextGen UBE scores **TBA**
 Is there a jurisdiction-specific admission prerequisite? **Yes**

Legacy UBE **No**
 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) **Yes**
 How many times may an applicant take the exam without special permission? **no limit**

Minimum Passing Score **143**

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**

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.