

The Supreme Court of Maryland has entered an administrative order limiting the total number of exam registrations for the February 2026 UBE to 400 and providing a registration priority for Maryland retakers. <https://www.mdcourts.gov/ble> (<https://www.mdcourts.gov/ble>).

Maryland has announced that it intends to first administer the NextGen bar exam in July 2026. Visit <https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen> ([/exams/nextgen](https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen)) to learn more about the new exam.

**Maryland requires the following NCBE exams: MBE, MEE, MPT, and MPRE.** Visit the [NCBE Study Aids Store](https://store.ncbex.org/) (<https://store.ncbex.org/>) to purchase the [Bar Exam Everything Value Pack](https://store.ncbex.org/the-everything-value-pack) (<https://store.ncbex.org/the-everything-value-pack>) which includes MBE, MEE, and MPT study aids; and [MPRE study aids](https://store.ncbex.org/mpre) (<https://store.ncbex.org/mpre>) to help prepare for Maryland exams.

## Bar Admission Agency

### Maryland State Board of Law Examiners

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Annapolis, MD 21401

Phone: [\(410\) 260-3640](tel:(410)260-3640)

[Visit Website](https://www.mdcourts.gov/ble) (<https://www.mdcourts.gov/ble>)

## Character & Fitness Investigations

NCBE conducts investigations for some application types.

## MPRE Requirements

MPRE Required **Yes**

MPRE Minimum Passing Score **85**

MPRE Score Time Parameters

### Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—MPRE Requirements, MBE Score Transfers, Courtesy Seating, 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 courtesy seating allowed? **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**

### Domestic Legal Education

Is eligibility to take the bar exam limited to JD or LLB graduates of ABA-approved law schools? **No**

If eligibility to take the bar exam is not limited to JD or LLB graduates of ABA-approved law schools, what other means of domestic legal study are permitted for bar exam applicants? **—**

Additional requirements **Bar admission in another state**

Foreign Law Graduate Eligibility **Yes**

## Foreign Legal Education

Are graduates of foreign law schools eligible for admission by examination? **Yes**

If graduates of foreign law schools are eligible for admission by examination, what additional requirements pertain?

**Additional education at an ABA-approved law school, admission in another US jurisdiction**

If a foreign law school graduate obtains an LLM or other graduate law degree from an ABA-approved law school, is the graduate then eligible to take the bar exam on this basis alone?

**No**

## Bar Exam Application Filing Deadlines

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July 2026: First filing deadline **May 1**

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Bar exam fee for first-time takers (non-attorneys) **\$750**

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## Score Portability

Accepts Legacy UBE Score **Yes**

Minimum Legacy UBE Score **266**

Accepts NextGen UBE Score **Yes**

Minimum NextGen UBE Score **616**

Date First Acceptance NextGen UBE Score **July 2026**

Maximum Score Age **3 years**

### Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Admission by Examination or by Transferred UBE Score

Date of first UBE administration **July 2019**

Is completing a jurisdiction-specific component required before admission? **Yes**

Minimum passing UBE score **266**

Is there a limit on the number of attempts to earn a passing UBE score? **no limit**

Time limit for accepting a transferred UBE score (i.e., maximum age of the UBE score) **3 years**

Is concurrent application for admission by transferred UBE score allowed? **Yes**

Application fee for admission by transferred UBE score **\$750**

Notes

Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement **Yes**

Accepts Transferred MBE Scores **No**

## Bar Exam

NextGen UBE **Yes**

Date First Administration **July 2026**

Minimum Passing Score **616**

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 **July 2026**

Date accepting transferred NextGen UBE scores **July 2026**

Is there a jurisdiction-specific admission prerequisite? **Yes**

Legacy UBE **Yes**

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Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam **No**

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## Admission on Motion

Rules Provide for Admission on Motion **Yes**

Number of Years of Practice Required **3 of past 5 or 10 total**

## Disclaimer

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