New Jersey

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New Jersey has announced that it intends to administer the NextGen UBE in July 2028. Visit https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen (/exams/nextgen) to learn more about the new exam.

New Jersey requires the following NCBE exams: MBE, MEE, MPT, and MPRE. Visit Official NCBE Study Aids (https://www.ncbex.org/study-aids) to purchase study aids to help prepare for New Jersey exams.

Bar Admission Agency

New Jersey Board of Bar Examiners
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Visit Website (https://www.njbarexams.org)

Character & Fitness Investigations

This jurisdiction does not use NCBE's character and fitness services; please contact New Jersey for filing instructions.

MPRE Requirements

MPRE Required **Yes**
MPRE Minimum Passing Score **75**
MPRE Score Time Parameters

Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—MPRE Requirements, MBE Score Transfers, Courtesy Seating, and Attorneys' Exams

Minimum passing MPRE score **75**
Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must be earned or achieved? **No**
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 **Yes**
Foreign Law Graduate Eligibility **No**
Bar Exam Application Filing Deadlines

Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Bar Examination Application Deadlines and Fees

July 2026: First filing deadline **March 31**
July 2026: Late filing deadline **April 15 / April 30**
February 2027: First filing deadline **Oct. 31**
February 2027: Late filing deadline **Nov. 15 / Nov. 30**
Bar exam fee for first-time takers (non-attorneys) **$675**
Bar exam fee for attorneys **$675**
Bar exam fee for repeaters **$675**
Fee for laptops, if permitted **fee varies**

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Score Portability

Accepts Legacy UBE Score **Yes**
Minimum Legacy UBE Score **266**
Accepts NextGen UBE Score **TBA**
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Date First Acceptance NextGen UBE Score **TBA**
Maximum Score Age **36 months**

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

Date of first UBE administration **February 2017**
Is completing a jurisdiction-specific component required before admission? **No**
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) **36 months**
Is concurrent application for admission by transferred UBE score allowed? **No**
Application fee for admission by transferred UBE score **$675**
Notes

Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement **No**
Accepts Transferred MBE Scores **No**

Bar Exam

NextGen UBE **Yes**
Date First Administration **July 2028**
Minimum Passing Score **TBA**
NextGen UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement **No**
Legacy UBE **Yes**
Date Final Administration **February 2028**
Minimum Passing Score **266**
Legacy UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement **No**
Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam **No**

Admission on Motion

Rules Provide for Admission on Motion **Yes**

Admission on Motion—Years of Practice and Definition of Practice

Do the rules provide for admission on motion? **Yes**

What is the number of years of practice required for admission on motion? **5 of past 7**

What does the definition of practice for purposes of admission on motion include?
Law teaching, gov't agency, military, in-house corporate, judicial court of record

Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must have been earned or achieved? **No**

Admission on motion fee **$1,500**

Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

Admission on Motion—Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

Must an applicant for admission on motion be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? **Yes**

Is admission on motion based on reciprocity (that is, is it limited to candidates from some or all jurisdictions offering admission on motion)? **Yes**

Is an attorney initially admitted by diploma privilege eligible for admission on motion? **No**

Number of Years of Practice Required **5 of past 7**

Disclaimer

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