Colorado Bar Exam Information

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Bar Exam Format

The Colorado bar exam is a two-day Uniform Bar Exam.

**Day 1:** Six 30-minute Multistate Essay Exam (MEE) questions and two 90-minute Multistate Performance Test (MPT) questions.

**Day 2:** Multistate Bar Exam (MBE), a 200-question, multiple choice exam.

SUBJECTS TESTED

**MBE Subjects:** Constitutional Law, Contracts/Sales, Criminal Law/Procedure, Evidence, Federal Civil Procedure, Real Property, Torts.

**Essay Subjects:** Business Associations (Agency and Partnership; Corporations and Limited Liability Companies), Conflict of Laws, Family Law, Federal Civil Procedure, Trusts and Estates (Decedents' Estates; Trusts and Future Interests), and Uniform Commercial Code (Negotiable Instruments and Bank Deposits and Collections; Secured Transactions), plus all MBE subjects.

**Multistate Performance Test:** "Closed universe" practical questions using instructions, factual data, cases, statutes and other reference material supplied by examiners.

**MPRE:** A scaled score of 85 on the MPRE is required for admission. MPRE must be taken no more than two years before or after filing an application to take the bar exam.

Bar Exam Dates

**2016 Winter:** February 23 - 24
**2016 Summer:** July 26 - 27
FILING DEADLINES AND FEES

Application forms and applicable fees must be filed no later than December 1 (electronically online) for the February exam and April 1 for the July exam. Late applications are accepted through December 31 for the February exam and May 1 for the July exam. A late fee will apply to late applications.

**Application fee:** $710

**On-Motion application fee:** $1,800

**UBE transfer application fee:** $810

**Late fee penalty:** $200

GRADING AND RESULTS

To pass the Colorado bar exam, you must score 276. The MEE and MPT scores are scaled to the MBE, with the MBE weighted 50%, the MEE 30%, and the MPT 20%. Results are generally released in May for the February exam and in October for the July exam.

RECIPROCITY

**Acceptance of MBE Score** Colorado does not accept the transfer of any MBE score from an exam taken in another jurisdiction.

**Admission on Motion** Applicant must be a graduate of an ABA accredited law school, must be admitted in a state (or combination of states) which allows Colorado attorneys to be admitted on motion, must have actively practiced law in that state (or combination of states) for five of seven years immediately preceding application.

FOREIGN LAW SCHOOL GRADUATES

Permission may be requested to sit for the exam based on a non-U.S. legal education if that applicant’s law school was an English-speaking common law country, the applicant is admitted in the country from which he/she graduated and applicant has practiced law for five of the preceding seven years. A petition for determination of eligibility must be filed, along with payment of $100.

PROFESSIONALISM COURSE

Colorado requires exam applicants take a course on Professionalism prior to admission to the bar or within six months of admission for On Motion (without examination) admission.