Washington Bar Exam Information

Washington Board of Law Examiners

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The Washington bar exam is a two-day Uniform Bar Exam (UBE).

**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.

In addition to the UBE, applicants must take and pass the Washington Law Component (WLC), which is an online open book multiple-choice test on Washington specific law.

**SUBJECTS TESTED**

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

**MEE Essay Subjects**
Business Associations (Agency and Partnership, Corporations and Limited Liability Companies), Civil Procedure, Conflict of Laws, Constitutional Law, Contracts (including Article 2 and Revised Article 1 of the UCC), Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence, Family Law, Real Property, Torts, Trusts and Estates (Decedents’ Estates, Trusts and Future Interests) and Uniform Commercial Code (Secured Transactions)

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

**MPRE**
Washington’s pass score on the MPRE is 85. The MPRE score is valid if you earned the score three years prior to sitting for the UBE or up to one year after sitting for the UBE.
Bar Exam Dates:

The Bar examination is administered twice a year: In the winter during the last week of February and in the summer during the last week of July.

**2016 Winter:** February 23 – 24  
**2016 Summer:** July 26 – 27

FILING DEADLINES AND FEES

All Winter 2015 applications must be received by October 6. Applicants who register any time after the appropriate filing deadline must pay an additional late filing fee penalty. Late filing applications need to be received by November 5 for the winter exam along with the late filing fee. Summer 2015 applications must be received by March 5. Late filing applications need to be received by April 6 along with the late filing fee.

- Exam fee: $585
- Attorney applicants: $620 plus NCBE investigation fee
- Late filing fee: additional $300

GRADING AND RESULTS

The MEE and MPT scores are scaled to the MBE, with the MBE weighted 50%, the MEE 30% and the MPT 20%. Washington’s passing score on the UBE is 270. The passing score on the WLC is 80%. You may take the WLC any time after filing your application up until one year after sitting for the UBE.

RECIPROCITY

**Admission on Motion**

If you have a UBE score of 270 or higher from another state, you can transfer your score to Washington for up to 40 months after the date of the administration of the UBE in which the score was earned. The MPRE score must be acquired three years before or after the date you sat for the UBE.