Missouri Bar Exam Information

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Bar Exam Format

The Missouri Bar Exam is a 2-day exam.

**Day 1:** Two 90-minute Multistate Performance Test (MPT) questions and a six-question Multistate Essay Exam (MEE).

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

Subjects Tested

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

**MEE Subjects**

**Multistate Performance Test**
A "closed universe" practical problem using instructions, factual data, cases, statutes and other reference material supplied by examiners.

Bar Exam Dates

The Missouri Bar Exam is administered on the last Tuesday and Wednesday in February and July.

**2011 Winter:** February 22 - 23
**2011 Summer:** July 26 - 27

Source: www.barbri.com
Filing Fees and Deadlines

Missouri does not have a mandatory law student registration. Law students may, however, seek an early character and fitness determination by filing the Application for Character and Fitness Report during first or second year, but prior to last year, of law school. Otherwise, the Application for Character and Fitness Report and Application for Bar Examination must be filed concurrently. Bar exam application must be filed by **October 1 for February exam** and by **March 1 for July exam**.

Late filing with additional fee allowed until December 31 and May 31 respectively. Depending on postmark date, fees for an early character and fitness determination range and for applying to take the bar exam range from **$485** to **$1470**. Visit [www.mble.org](http://www.mble.org) for current fee schedule.

Grading and Results

A total weighted scaled score of 260 out of 400 is required. The MBE is weighted 50%, MEE scores are weighted 30%; and MPT scores are weighted 20%. Results released as set by the Court.

Reciprocity

**Admission on Motion**
Admission without exam possible if applicant has practiced 5 of last 10 years in a jurisdiction admitting Missouri attorneys without exam. Applicant must be a graduate of an ABA accredited law school.

**Acceptance of MBE Score**
Applicant may transfer any MBE scaled score from another jurisdiction provided: the applicant has not previously failed the Missouri bar exam; the transferred MBE score was attained within the 19 months preceding the Missouri exam; applicant passed the entire bar in one administration in the transferring jurisdiction; and applicant has been admitted and is licensed to practice law in the transferring jurisdiction. Acceptance of MBE score does not create a Uniform Bar Exam score for future licensing in other Uniform Bar Exam states.