Oregon Bar Exam Information

Oregon Board of Law Examiners

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Bar Exam Format

**The Oregon Bar Exam is a 2 day exam.**

**Day 1:** One 90-minute Multistate Performance Test (MPT) question and nine essay questions.

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

Note: The bar examiners began phasing in 3 MEE questions per exam with the Winter 2010 exam. The first day of the Oregon Bar Exam will change beginning with the Summer 2012 exam when the format will be 2 MPTs and 6 essay questions (OR and MEE).

Subjects Tested

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

**Oregon Essay Subjects**

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

Bar Exam Dates

Portland

UW Law School: Academic Enhancement Program (AEP)

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July 26-27, 2011
Monarch Hotel
12566 SE 93rd Ave
Clackamas, OR 97015
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www.monarchhotel.cc

February 22-23, 2011
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Filing Fees and Deadlines

Applications must be filed by November 15\textsuperscript{th} for the February exam and April 15\textsuperscript{th} for the July exam. Late filing is allowed until December 30\textsuperscript{th} for the February exam and May 30\textsuperscript{th} for the July exam with a $250 late fee.

Application Packet: $25

Exam fee: $600 (Includes investigative fee)

Investigative fee (attorneys only): $225

Grading and Results

The MBE (weighted 50%), the essays (weighted 37-1/2%) and the MPT (weighted 12-1/2%) are combined to determine if the applicant passed. A scaled score of 142 is required for the MBE. Results are generally released in early April for the February exam and early September for the July exam. *

*Beginning with the 2012 exam, the format will change to: MBE (weighted 50%), six (6) essays (weighted 30%) and two (2) MPT's (weighted 20%). MEE essays will be phased in for some subjects beginning with the February 2010 exam.
Reciprocity

**Admission on Motion**
Lawyers from the following states who meet certain requirements may be admitted to the Bar of the State of Oregon without having to take and pass the Oregon Bar Examination (Rule 15.05): AL, AK, AZ, AR, CO, CT, DC, GA, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, NE, NH, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, PA, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY.

**Admission of House Counsel**
An attorney employed by a business entity authorized to do business in Oregon, who has been admitted to practice law in another state, federal territory or commonwealth, or the District of Columbia may be admitted to practice law and procedures set out in Rule 16.05.