Kentucky Bar Exam Information

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Bar Exam Format

The Kentucky bar exam is a two day bar exam. Kentucky has not adopted the Uniform Bar Exam (UBE).

Day 1: Kentucky essay portion of the examination, which is prepared and graded by the Board of Bar Examiners, the Multistate Essay Examination (MEE), and one Multi-State Performance Test (MPT) questions, which are prepared by the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE). The essay portion of the exam consists of a combination of Kentucky essay questions, Multistate Essay (MEE) questions and Multistate Performance Test (MPT) questions.

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

Subjects Tested

Jurisdiction Specific Component - Kentucky Essay Questions: Each of the 6 Kentucky essay questions cover one or more of the following subjects: Contracts, including sales and secured transactions, Constitutional Law, Business Entities (corporation, partnerships and/or others), Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence, Civil Procedure, Family Law, Property (real and/or personal), Torts, Estates (wills and/or trusts), Such other subjects as the Board may select from among questions from the National Conference of Bar Examiners.

MEE: Business Associations (Agency and Partnership; Corporations and Limited Liability Companies), Civil Procedure, Conflict of Laws, Constitutional Law, Contracts (including Article 2 [Sales] of the Uniform Commercial Code), Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence, Family Law, Real Property, Torts, Trusts and Estates (Decedents' Estates; Trusts and Future Interests), and Article 9 (Secured Transactions) of the Uniform Commercial Code. Some questions may include issues in more than one area of law. The particular areas covered vary from exam to exam.

MPT: Factual analysis, legal analysis and reasoning, problem solving, identification and resolution of ethical dilemmas, written communication, and organization and management of a legal task.

MBE: Civil Procedure, Constitutional Law, Contracts, Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence, Real Property, and Torts.

UW Law School: Academic Enhancement Program (AEP)

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Bar Exam Dates:

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http://www.ncbex.org/assets/BarAdmissionGuide/CompGuide2020 021820 Online Final.pdf#page=44

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