

Minnesota has announced that it intends to administer the NextGen bar exam in July 2027. Visit <https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen> (/exams/nextgen) to learn more about the new exam.

Minnesota requires the following NCBE exams: MBE, MEE, MPT, and MPRE. Visit the NCBE Study Aids Store (<https://store.ncbex.org/>) to purchase the Bar Exam Everything Value Pack (<https://store.ncbex.org/the-everything-value-pack/>) which includes MBE, MEE, and MPT study aids; and MPRE study aids (<https://store.ncbex.org/mpre/>) to help prepare for Minnesota exams.

## Bar Admission Agency

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## Character & Fitness Investigations

This jurisdiction does not use NCBE's character and fitness services; please contact Minnesota for filing instructions.

## MPRE Requirements

MPRE Required **Yes**

MPRE Minimum Passing Score **85**

MPRE Score Time Parameters

### Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—MPRE Requirements, MBE Score Transfers, Courtesy Seating, and Attorneys' Exams

Minimum passing MPRE score **85**

Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must be earned or achieved? **No**

Are MBE scores accepted for transfer from other jurisdictions? **Yes**

Is courtesy seating allowed? **No**

Is an Attorneys' Exam offered? **No**

To qualify for the Attorneys' Exam, must an applicant be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? **—**

Attorneys' Exam fee **—**

## Bar Exam Eligibility, Deadlines, and Fees

ABA-Approved Law School J.D. Required **No**

### Domestic Legal Education

Is eligibility to take the bar exam limited to JD or LLB graduates of ABA-approved law schools? **No**

If eligibility to take the bar exam is not limited to JD or LLB graduates of ABA-approved law schools, what other means of domestic legal study are permitted for bar exam applicants?

**Non-ABA-approved out-of-state law school, correspondence law school, online law school**

Additional requirements **Bar admission in another state, specified number of years of practice**

Foreign Law Graduate Eligibility **Yes**

## Foreign Legal Education

Are graduates of foreign law schools eligible for admission by examination? **Yes**

If graduates of foreign law schools are eligible for admission by examination, what additional requirements pertain? **Admission and years of practice**

If a foreign law school graduate obtains an LLM or other graduate law degree from an ABA-approved law school, is the graduate then eligible to take the bar exam on this basis alone?

**No**

## Bar Exam Application Filing Deadlines

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July 2025: Late filing deadline **May 1**

February 2026: First filing deadline **Oct. 5**

February 2026: Late filing deadline **Dec. 2**

Bar exam fee for first-time takers (non-attorneys) **\$600**

Bar exam fee for attorneys **\$1,050**

Bar exam fee for repeaters **\$600**

Fee for laptops, if permitted **\$100**

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## Bar Exam Components

Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) **Yes**

Accepts Transferred MBE Scores **Yes**

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Multistate Essay Examination (MEE) **Yes**

Multistate Performance Test (MPT) **Yes**

Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam **No**

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## UBE Adoption

UBE Adoption **Yes**

UBE First Administration Date **February 2014**

UBE Minimum Passing Score **260**

UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Component **No**

### Admission on Earned or Transferred Bar Exam Score

UBE Minimum Score **260**

Non-UBE Minimum Score - Admission on Transferred UBE Score **Yes**

Effective Date **February 2013**

Maximum Score Age **36 months**

UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Component **No**

### Admission on Motion

Rules Provide for Admission on Motion **Yes**

#### Admission on Motion—Years of Practice and Definition of Practice

Do the rules provide for admission on motion? **Yes**

What is the number of years of practice required for admission on motion? **3 of past 5**

What does the definition of practice for purposes of admission on motion include?

**Law teaching, gov't agency, military, in-house corporate, judicial court of record**

Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must have been earned or achieved? **No**

Admission on motion fee **\$1,150**

Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

#### Admission on Motion—Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

Must an applicant for admission on motion be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? **No**

Is admission on motion based on reciprocity (that is, is it limited to candidates from some or all jurisdictions offering admission on motion)? **No**

Is an attorney initially admitted by diploma privilege eligible for admission on motion? **Yes**

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Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must have been earned or achieved? **No**

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## Disclaimer

Since jurisdiction rules and policies change, NCBE strongly advises consulting the jurisdiction's bar admission agency directly for the most current information.