



Rhode Island has announced that it intends to first administer the NextGen bar exam in July 2028. Visit https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen (/ exams/nextgen) to learn more about the new exam.

Rhode Island 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 Rhode Island exams.

Bar Admission Agency

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Visit Website (https://www.courts.ri.gov/attorney-resources/Pages/Admission-to-the-Rhode-Island-Bar.aspx)

Character & Fitness Investigations

NCBE conducts investigations for some application types.

MPRE Requirements

MPRE Required Yes

MPRE Minimum Passing Score 80

MPRE Score Time Parameters

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

Minimum passing MPRE score 80

Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must be earned or achieved? Yes

Are MBE scores accepted for transfer from other jurisdictions? No

Is courtesy seating allowed? No

Is an Attorneys' Exam offered? Yes

To qualify for the Attorneys' Exam, must an applicant be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? No

Attorneys' Exam fee \$1,475

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

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

Foreign Law Graduate Eligibility Yes

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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 in another US jurisdiction

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

Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Bar Examination Application Deadlines and Fees

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Bar exam fee for first-time takers (non-attorneys) \$975

Bar exam fee for attorneys \$1,475
Bar exam fee for repeaters \$975
Fee for laptops, if permitted \$0

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Score Portability

Accepts Legacy UBE Score Yes

Minimum Legacy UBE Score 270

Accepts NextGen UBE Score Yes

Minimum NextGen UBE Score TBA

Date First Acceptance NextGen UBE Score TBA

Maximum Score Age 2 years

Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Admission by Examination or by Transferred UBE Score

Date of first UBE administration February 2019

Is completing a jurisdiction-specific component required before admission? No

Minimum passing UBE score 270 (see suppl. remarks)

Is there a limit on the number of attempts to earn a passing UBE score? $\,\mathbf{5}\,$

Time limit for accepting a transferred UBE score (i.e., maximum age of the UBE score) 2 years

Is concurrent application for admission by transferred UBE score allowed? No

Application fee for admission by transferred UBE score \$975 / \$1,475

Notes

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Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement No Accepts Transferred MBE Scores No

Bar Exam

Legacy UBE Yes

Date Final Administration February 2028

Minimum Passing Score 270

Legacy UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement No

NextGen UBE Yes

Date First Administration July 2028

Minimum Passing Score TBA

NextGen UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement TBA

Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam No

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Admission on Motion

Rules Provide for Admission on Motion No

Disclaimer

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

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