



Alabama has announced that it intends to administer the NextGen bar exam in July 2028. Visit <a href="https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen">https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen</a> (/exams/nextgen) to learn more about the new exam.

Alabama 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 Alabama exams.

# **Bar Admission Agency**

#### Alabama State Bar

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### **Character & Fitness Investigations**

NCBE conducts investigations for some application types.

### **MPRE Requirements**

MPRE Required Yes

MPRE Minimum Passing Score 75

MPRE Score Time Parameters

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

Minimum passing MPRE score 75

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? 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 in-state law school, non-ABA-approved out-of-state law school

Additional requirements 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?

Legal education in English common law, additional education at an ABA-approved law school, practice of law in foreign jurisdiction, determination of educational equivalency, 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

July 2025: First filing deadline Feb. 1

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Bar exam fee for first-time takers (non-attorneys) \$575 (plus C&F fee)

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### **Score Portability**

Accepts Legacy UBE Score Yes

Minimum Legacy UBE Score 260

Accepts NextGen UBE Score Yes

Minimum NextGen UBE Score TBA

Date First Acceptance NextGen UBE Score TBA

Maximum Score Age 36 months

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

Date of first UBE administration July 2011

Is completing a jurisdiction-specific component required before admission?  $\mbox{\bf Yes}$ 

Minimum passing UBE score 260

Is there a limit on the number of attempts to earn a passing UBE score?  $\ \ no\ limit$ 

Time limit for accepting a transferred UBE score (i.e., maximum age of the UBE score) 36 months

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

Application fee for admission by transferred UBE score \$875 (plus C&F fee)

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Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement Yes
Accepts Transferred MBE Scores Yes

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Attorneys' Exam fee -

#### **Bar Exam**

Legacy UBE Yes

Date Final Administration February 2028

Minimum Passing Score 260

Legacy UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement Yes

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Date of first UBE administration July 2011

Is completing a jurisdiction-specific component required before admission? Yes

Minimum passing UBE score 260

Is there a limit on the number of attempts to earn a passing UBE score? no limit

Time limit for accepting a transferred UBE score (i.e., maximum age of the UBE score) 36 months

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NextGen UBE Yes

Date First Administration July 2028

Minimum Passing Score TBA

NextGen UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement Yes

NextGen Bar Exam Jurisdictions—Date of First Administration, Acceptance of Transferred Scores, and Jurisdiction-Specific Components

Date of first NextGen bar exam administration July 2028

Date accepting transferred NextGen scores TBA

Is there a jurisdiction-specific admission prerequisite? Yes

Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam No

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#### **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? 5 of past 6

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? Yes

Admission on motion fee \$875 (plus C&F fee)

Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

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# Admission on Motion—Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

Must an applicant for admission on motion be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? Yes

Is admission on motion based on reciprocity (that is, is it limited to candidates from some or all jurisdictions offering admission on motion)? Yes
Is an attorney initially admitted by diploma privilege eligible for admission on motion? No

Number of Years of Practice Required 5 of past 6

# 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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