



Maryland has announced that it intends to first administer the NextGen bar exam in July 2026. Visit https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen (/exams/ nextgen) to learn more about the new exam.

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

Bar Admission Agency

Maryland State Board of Law Examiners Judiciary A-POD, 580 Taylor Avenue Annapolis, MD 21401 Phone: (<u>410) 260-3640</u> Visit Website (https://www.mdcourts.gov/ble)

Character & Fitness Investigations

NCBE conducts investigations for some application types.

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? Yes

Are MBE scores accepted for transfer from other jurisdictions? No

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?

Additional requirements Bar admission in another state

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? Additional education at an ABA-approved law school, 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

Maryland

Bar Exam Application Filing Deadlines

Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Bar Examination Application Deadlines and Fees

July 2025: First filing deadline May 1 July 2025: Late filing deadline — February 2026: First filing deadline Dec. 1 February 2026: Late filing deadline — Bar exam fee for first-time takers (non-attorneys) \$750 Bar exam fee for attorneys \$750 Bar exam fee for repeaters \$400 Fee for laptops, if permitted \$130

July 2025: First filing deadline May 1 July 2025: Late filing deadline — February 2026: First filing deadline Dec. 1 February 2026: Late filing deadline — Bar Exam Application Filing Fees

Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Bar Examination Application Deadlines and Fees

July 2025: First filing deadline May 1 July 2025: Late filing deadline — February 2026: First filing deadline Dec. 1 February 2026: Late filing deadline — Bar exam fee for first-time takers (non-attorneys) \$750 Bar exam fee for attorneys \$750 Bar exam fee for repeaters \$400 Fee for laptops, if permitted \$130

Score Portability

Accepts Legacy UBE Score Yes Minimum Legacy UBE Score 266 Accepts NextGen UBE Score Yes Minimum NextGen UBE Score TBA Date First Acceptance NextGen UBE Score July 2026 Maximum Score Age 3 years

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

Date of first UBE administration July 2019 Is completing a jurisdiction-specific component required before admission? Yes Minimum passing UBE score 266 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) 3 years Is concurrent application for admission by transferred UBE score allowed? Yes Application fee for admission by transferred UBE score \$750 Notes

 Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement
 Yes

 Accepts Transferred MBE Scores
 No

Bar Exam

Legacy UBE Yes Date Final Administration February 2026 Minimum Passing Score 266 Legacy UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Requirement Yes

Maryland

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

Date of first UBE administration July 2019 Is completing a jurisdiction-specific component required before admission? Yes Minimum passing UBE score 266 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) 3 years Is concurrent application for admission by transferred UBE score allowed? Yes Application fee for admission by transferred UBE score \$750 Notes

NextGen UBE Yes

Date First Administration July 2026 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 2026 Date accepting transferred NextGen scores July 2026 Is there a jurisdiction-specific admission prerequisite? Yes

Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam No

Visit the NCBE Study Aids Store (https://store.ncbex.org/) for official test prep materials

Admission on Motion

Rules Provide for Admission on Motion Yes Number of Years of Practice Required 3 of past 5 or 10 total

Disclaimer

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