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## Bar Admission Agency

### Texas Board of Law Examiners

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## Character & Fitness Investigations

This jurisdiction does not use NCBE's character and fitness services; please contact Texas 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

What is the minimum passing MPRE score? **85**

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

Do you accept MBE scores transferred from other jurisdictions? **No**

Do you allow courtesy seating? **Yes**

Do you offer an Attorneys' Exam? **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 under your rules? **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 do your rules permit 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**

### 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 under your rules, what additional requirements pertain?

**Additional education at an ABA-approved law school, practice of law in foreign jurisdiction or a 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 2024: First filing deadline **Feb. 1**  
 July 2024: Late filing deadline **April 1 / May 1**  
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 February 2025: Late filing deadline **Nov. 1 / Dec. 1**  
 Bar exam fee for first-time takers (non-attorneys) **\$300 / \$490 / \$1,140**  
 Bar exam fee for attorneys **\$1,040 / \$1,140**  
 Bar exam fee for repeaters **\$320**  
 Fee for laptops, if permitted **\$90**

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## Bar Exam Components

Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) **Yes**  
 Accepts Transferred MBE Scores **No**  
 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 2021**  
 UBE Minimum Passing Score **270**  
 UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Component **Yes**

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

Date of first UBE administration **February 2021**  
 Do you require completion of a jurisdiction-specific component before admission? **Yes**  
 What is the minimum passing UBE score? **270**  
 What is the limit on the number of attempts to earn a passing UBE score? **5**  
 What is your time limit for accepting a transferred UBE score (i.e., maximum age of the UBE score)? **5 years**  
 Do you allow concurrent application for admission by transferred UBE score? **Yes**  
 What is the application fee for admission by transferred UBE score? **\$300 / \$490 / \$1,040 / \$1,140**  
 Notes

## Admission on Earned or Transferred Bar Exam Score

UBE Minimum Score **270**

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

Effective Date **December 2019**

Maximum Score Age **5 years**

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Do you allow concurrent application for admission by transferred UBE score? **Yes**

What is the application fee for admission by transferred UBE score? **\$300 / \$490 / \$1,040 / \$1,140**

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UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Component **Yes**

### Admission on Motion

Rules Provide for Admission on Motion **Yes**

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

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

What is the number of years of practice required for admission on motion? **5 of past 7**

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

**Law teaching, gov't agency, active-duty judge advocate, law firm, private practice, in-house corporate, judicial court of record, state or federal law clerk**

Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must have been earned or achieved? **Yes (see suppl. remarks)**

Admission on motion fee **\$890**

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**

Number of Years of Practice Required **5 of past 7**

## Disclaimer

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