

Bar Exam Snapshot: Connecticut*

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Bar exam

2010 exam dates/locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tuesday, February 23 and Wednesday, February 24 at Holiday Inn Waterbury - Tuesday, July 27 and Wednesday, July 28 in Hartford at Connecticut Expo Center
Essay subjects (MBE subjects bold)	<p>Administrative Law; Business Entities (including Corporations, Partnerships, and Sole Proprietorships); Conflict of Laws; Contracts; Criminal Law and Procedure; Federal and State Constitutional Law; Civil Procedure; Evidence; Professional Responsibility; Property (Real and Personal, including Future Interests); Torts’ Uniform Commercial Code’ and Wills, Trusts and Estates</p>
Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tuesday = essays <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 12 essays total (30 minutes each) - Up to six questions selected from MEE, remaining questions prepared by Committee - Wednesday = MBE (six hours total) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 200 total multiple choice questions (100 each administered in morning/afternoon) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 33 questions in Contracts and Torts - 31 questions in Con Law, Criminal Law/Procedure, Evidence, and Real Property - 190 graded questions, 10 experimental questions (indistinguishable) - 1.8 minutes per question
Scoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Essays scored on scale of 0 – 7 (thus, theoretical range of raw score = 0 – 84) - Essays = 50%, MBE = 50% - No passing score on either part alone (i.e., high score on MBE can offset low score on essays) - Passing score = 264/400
Professional Responsibility requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Professional Responsibility requirement must be satisfied within four years prior to or one year after date file application - Two ways to meet requirement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1) Score minimum of 80 on MPRE, OR - 2) Obtain a “C” or better in Professional Responsibility course
Pass %	<p>February 2009 = 75% first time takers, 64% all takers</p>

Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Laptop program available to all interested - Committee accepts transferred MBE scores under certain limited circumstances, no required minimum score - Committee accepts concurrent MBE scores - Can only bring into exam acceptable items enclosed in clear food storage bag - Black pen only, separate book for each question, both sides of paper, single space answer - No limit to number of times can take exam
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Bar exam application

Contact info	<p>For February exam:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Connecticut Bar Examining Committee, February 2010 Application Department, 100 Washington Street, Harford, CT 06106-4411 - 860.706.5135, available 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday - barexam@jud.ct.gov
Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - February 2010 exam: Application must be RECEIVED between October 1 and November 30 - July 2010 exam: Application must be RECEIVED between March 1 and April 30
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application fee = \$450 - Fee payable via certified check or money order to "Connecticut Bar Examining Committee"
Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application must be typed or prepared by electronic means (fillable PDF format) EXCEPT for checkboxes - Application must be signed and notarized - Law school dean must complete the Certificate of Dean of Law School (Form 4) and attach a final, official transcript and copy of your law school application - Receive notification of receipt within 15 days - Receive notice of eligibility and test site assignment approximately two weeks prior to exam

Post-bar exam

Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Results released late April for February exam, mid-October for July exam - Pass list posted on Committee's website by last name
Admission to bar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group ceremony before Supreme Court following each exam - Date of ceremony set by Supreme Court approximately one month after bar results are published - Court rules do not permit swearing in by anyone other than CT judge - Receive notice containing juris number approximately 15 days after swearing in (need juris number to file appearance in court, but otherwise can practice immediately upon swearing in)

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