

## Bar Exam Snapshot: Georgia\*

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### Bar exam

2010 exam dates/location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tuesday, February 23 and Wednesday, February 24</li> <li>- Tuesday, July 27 and Wednesday, July 28</li> <li>- Exams given at Georgia International Convention Center in College Park</li> </ul>
Subject matter (MBE in <b>bold</b> )	<p>Business Organizations, Commercial Paper, <b>Contracts, Constitutional Law, Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence</b>, Family Law, Federal and Georgia Practice and Procedure, Non-Monetary Remedies, Professional Ethics, <b>Real Property</b>, Secured Transactions, <b>Torts</b>, Trusts, and Wills and Estates</p>
Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tuesday = written portion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Four essays (45 minutes each)</li> <li>- Two MPTs (90 minutes each)</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Wednesday = MBE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 200 total multiple choice questions (100 each administered in morning/afternoon) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 33 questions in Contracts and Torts</li> <li>- 31 questions in Con Law, Criminal Law/Procedure, Evidence, and Real Property</li> </ul> </li> <li>- 190 graded questions, 10 experimental questions (indistinguishable)</li> <li>- 1.8 minutes per question</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Scoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Raw scores on MPTs multiplied by 1.5 and added to raw score on essays, then converted to 200 point MBE scale</li> <li>- Final score = raw scores on written portion added to scaled MBE</li> <li>- Minimum passing score = 270 (out of 400)</li> <li>- Essays and MPTs will not be graded unless achieve minimum score of 115 on MBE</li> </ul>
MPRE	Minimum score = 75
Pass %	July 2008 = 91% first time takers, 84% all takers

### Bar exam application

Contact info	<p>Office of Bar Admissions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mailing address: P.O. Box 38466, Atlanta, GA 30334</li> <li>- Address for hand delivery/courier services: 244 Washington Street, Suite 440, Atlanta, GA 30334</li> <li>- 404.656.3490</li> </ul>
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Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fitness application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Deadline: February 2010 exam = July 1, 2009; July 2010 exam = December 2, 2009</li> <li>- Late deadline: February 2010 exam = October 7, 2009; July 2010 exam = March 3, 2010</li> <li>- Application must be received before 4:30 PM on or before deadline</li> <li>- Postmarking by deadline is NOT ACCEPTABLE</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Exam application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Deadline: February 2010 exam = January 4, 2010; July 2010 exam = June 4, 2010</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fitness application fee = \$500 (\$400 late fee)</li> <li>- \$350 exam application fee (money order/cashier's check payable to "Office of Bar Admission")</li> <li>- \$74 MBE fee (money order/cashier's check payable to "National Conference of Bar Examiners")</li> </ul>
Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two step process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Step one: Certification of Fitness – file at least 8 months prior to exam, good for five years <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two finger print cards must be submitted – must obtain cards from Office</li> <li>- Must type – no handwritten responses accepted</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Step two: Application – only available to those who hold valid Certification of Fitness (in form of letter mailed to applicant) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not available online</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>- Undergrad and law school transcripts must be submitted to Office prior to taking exam</li> </ul>
Certification of Fitness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Available in downloadable program or PDF (PDF results in slower processing of application)</li> <li>- Includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two fingerprint cards (download request form from website – cards mailed)</li> <li>- Filing fee</li> <li>- Printed version of application that is signed/notarized</li> <li>- Downloaded version – floppy disk, CD, USB containing answers</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Defaulted student loans and failure to make child support payments may lead to denial of admission if not resolved at time of application</li> <li>- Narratives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Required to file for all criminal and DUI offenses</li> <li>- Must submit arresting officers' reports and certified court documents</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Driving records <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Need every state/jurisdiction (including Georgia) in which hold current license</li> <li>- Need every state/jurisdiction (including Georgia) in which license during last 12 months</li> <li>- Report cannot be dated more than six months prior</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Amendment required within 30 days of occurrence that would change answer to question</li> </ul>
Other	Laptop program available to all interested, \$100 fee

## Post-bar exam

Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Results mailed and posted on website at 4:00 PM on scheduled release date</li> <li>- February results released late May, July results released late October</li> </ul>
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**\* All state bar exam information is subject to change without notice; please verify with bar examiner's office.**