

## Bar Exam Snapshot: North Carolina\*

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### Bar exam

2010 exam dates/ locations	- Tuesday, February 23 and Wednesday, February 24 at North Carolina State Fair Grounds (Exposition Center and Dorton Arena) in Raleigh - Tuesday, July 17 and Wednesday, July 28 at NC State Fair Grounds (Exposition Center and Jim Graham Building) in Raleigh
Subject matter (MBE in <b>bold</b> )	Agency, Civil Procedure, Commercial Paper, <b>Constitutional Law, Contracts</b> , Corporations, <b>Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence</b> , Family Law, Legal Ethics, Mortgages, Partnerships, <b>Real Property</b> , Secured Transactions, Suretyship and Liens, <b>Torts</b> , Trusts, Wills, Decedents' Estates, and Equity
Structure	- Tuesday = 12 essays - Wednesday = MBE - 200 total multiple choice questions (100 each administered in morning/afternoon) - 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	- MBE = 40%, essays = 60% - Results combined to determine if applicant has achieved passing score
MPRE	- Minimum score = 80 - Must fulfill requirement with 24 months before or 12 months after bar exam
Pass %	July 2008 = 86% first time takers, 78% all takers
Other	Applicant may take exam prior to graduation provided applicant graduates within 30 days of exam

## Bar exam application

Contact info	<p>North Carolina Board of Law Examiners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mailing address: P.O. Box 2946, Raleigh, NC 27602</li> <li>- Physical address: One Exchange Plaza, Ste. 700, Raleigh, NC 27602</li> <li>- 919.828.4886, available 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Monday – Friday</li> <li>- info@ncble.org</li> </ul>
Deadlines	<p>Filing deadlines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- February timely deadline = 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in October</li> <li>- February late deadline = 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in November</li> <li>- July timely deadline = 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in January</li> <li>- July late deadline = 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in March</li> <li>- All deadlines are POSTMARK deadlines</li> <li>- Can include notification card in application which will be sent to you when application is received</li> </ul>
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- \$600 exam fee</li> <li>- \$250 late fee</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Check, money order, or certified check made payable to “Board of Law Examiners”</li> </ul>
Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Application answers can be typed or printed in BLACK ink; Board prefers typed answers</li> <li>- Original application must be submitted in DOUBLE-SIDED format; must be signed and notarized and filed in duplicate (duplicate filing does not apply to attachments)</li> <li>- Certificate of Moral Character forms must be filed in duplicate by FOUR individuals and mailed directly to Board’s office within 30 days; THEY MUST BE NOTARIZED by each individual</li> </ul>
Attach-ments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Need passport-sized photo taken during the past six months</li> <li>- Need two sets of fingerprint cards (can request cards via fax, email, or written notice)</li> <li>- Need transcripts from all undergrad institutions</li> </ul>
Character and Fitness reqs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Board interviews all applicants</li> <li>- Board will get a copy of your credit report from Experian</li> </ul>
Other	<p>Board encourages laptop use, laptop option available to everyone, \$100 fee</p>

## Post-bar exam

Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Results released late March for February exam, late August for July exam</li> <li>- Results will be mailed and posted to website – will also be released over the phone in time</li> <li>- Unsuccessful applicants may review exam in Board’s office; set up time; no assistance from Board</li> <li>- Unsuccessful applicants may request copy of scores – email “info@ncble.org” - scores will be mailed</li> </ul>
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**\* All state bar exam information is subject to change without notice; please verify with bar examiner’s office.**