

## Bar Exam Snapshot: New York\*

<http://www.nybarexam.org/>

### Bar exam

2010 exam dates/ locations	<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>- Exam is always held in Albany, NYC, and Buffalo – locations posted on website under “Test Sites”</li> <li>- All non-residents not employed full-time in NY at the time of application assigned to Albany test site</li> <li>- Can request test site transfer upon showing of good cause (fairly easy to transfer to Buffalo)</li> </ul>
Subject matter (MBE in <b>bold</b> )	<p>Business Relationships (Agency and Partnerships, and Corporations), Conflict of Laws, <b>Contracts</b>, New York and Federal <b>Constitutional Law, Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence</b>, Family Law, Future Interests, Mortgages, Remedies, New York and Federal Civil Jurisdiction and Procedure, Personal Property, Professional Responsibility, <b>Real Property, Torts</b> (including statutory no-fault insurance provisions), Trusts, Wills and Estates, Workers’ Compensation, and UCC Articles 2 (Sales), 3 (Commercial Paper), and 9 (Secured Transactions)</p>
Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tuesday = state portion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Five essays</li> <li>- 50 multiple choice questions</li> <li>- MPT</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>- Minimum passing score is 665/1000</li> <li>- All scores are scaled</li> <li>- 50% written portion (40% essays, 10% MPT), 10% NY multiple choice, and 40% MBE</li> <li>- No passing or failing any one portion of exam</li> </ul>
MPRE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Minimum score = 85</li> <li>- Can be taken before or within three years after the bar</li> </ul>
Pass %	<p>July 2008 = 83% first time takers, 75% all takers</p>
Other	<p>Applicant can transfer concurrent MBE score</p>

## Bar exam application

Contact info	<p>New York Board of Law Examiners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Building 3 - Corporate Plaza, 254 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, NY 12203</li> <li>- 518.452.8700 or 800.342.3335 (toll free)</li> </ul>
Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For February exam: November 1 – 30</li> <li>- For July exam: April 1 – 30</li> <li>- Applications must be postmarked no more than 120 days nor less than 90 days prior to the exam for which application is being made</li> <li>- Contact Board for application packet at least four months prior to exam or download application materials from website</li> <li>- No early or late applications accepted</li> </ul>
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Application fee: \$250</li> <li>- Fee for online application must be paid with credit card</li> <li>- All other fees payable via certified check, cashier's check, money order, or travelers check payable to "State Board of Law Examiners"</li> </ul>
Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Completed application includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Application for admission questionnaire</li> <li>- Good moral character affidavits</li> <li>- Employment affidavits</li> <li>- Law school certificates</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Only originals are accepted</li> </ul>
Character and Fitness reqs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Receive forms AFTER the exam</li> <li>- Can submit forms prior to receipt of results</li> <li>- Forms must be submitted within three years</li> </ul>
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Board interviews all applicants</li> </ul>

## Post-bar exam

Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Results are mailed the day the pass list is posted on Board's website and NY Law Journal's website</li> <li>- Results are listed by name</li> <li>- July results released mid-November, February results released mid-May</li> </ul>
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**\* All state bar exam information is subject to change without notice; please verify with bar examiner's office.**