

Bar Exam Snapshot: Tennessee*

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Bar exam

2010 exam dates/ locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wednesday, February 24 and Thursday, February 25 - Wednesday, February July 28 and Thursday, July 29 - Nashville School of Law (Nashville), University of TN Law School (Knoxville), and University of Memphis Law School (Memphis) - A location in Chattanooga is also a possibility
Subject matter (MBE in bold)	<p>Constitutional Law (Federal and Tennessee), Criminal Law (Substantive and Procedural), Contracts, Torts, Property (Real and Personal), Evidence, Civil Procedure (Federal and TN), Business Organizations (including Agency, Partnerships, and Corporations), Commercial Transactions (Articles 1, 2, 3, 6, and 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code), Wills and Estates, Domestic Relations, Professional Responsibility, Restitution and Remedies, and Conflicts of Law</p>
Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wednesday = MBE <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 - Thursday = 12 essays
Scoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - With MBE scaled score of 125, applicant must pass nine of 12 essays - With MBE scaled score of 130, applicant must pass eight of 12 essays - With MBE scaled score of 135, applicant must pass seven of 12 essays
MPRE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum passing score = 75 - Must achieve passing score within two years of first bar exam attempt
Pass %	<p>July 2008 = 86% first time takers, 80% all takers</p>
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laptop program available to all interested - Nashville testing location only! - \$100 fee - Registration must accompany exam application

Bar exam application

Contact info	<p>Tennessee Board of Law Examiners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 401 Church St., Ste. 2200, Nashville, TN 37243 - 615.741.3234 - kathy.queen@tscmail.state.tn.us
Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - February exam: Notice of Intent and fee = October 1, application and exam fee = November 15 - July exam: Notice of Intent and fee = March 1, application and exam fee = April 15 - Final deadlines = January 10 for February exam, June 10 for July exam - Deadlines are POSTMARK deadlines (use of regular mail encouraged – overnight and/or certified mail not necessary)
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notice of Intent fee = \$80 - Exam fee = \$300 - Late fees = \$50 for Notice of Intent, \$100 for exam - Fees payable via personal check or money order payable to “Tennessee Board of Law Examiners” - NCBE character and fitness application fee = TBD
Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Print, complete, and mail Notice of Intent to Board’s office with fee - Submit signed/notarized Tennessee Supplemental pages Ei – Eiii to Board - Submit one original and one copy of character and fitness application to Board with fee - Submit Undergraduate Degree and Law Degree verification forms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicant must first notarize forms - Respective schools must mail forms directly to Board - Submit “check sheet” – sign and date
Character and Fitness reqs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complete NCBE character and fitness application – available at www.ncbex.org/ea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1) Print, sign, and notarize completed application - 2) Make two photocopies – keep one for self - 3) Mail one original to NCBE with payment either in form of check/money order or by providing credit card info - Must sit for interview!

Post-bar exam

Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Results released mid-April for February exam, mid-October for July exam - Results posted on website by name
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* All state bar exam information is subject to change without notice; please verify with bar examiner’s office.