

Bar Exam Snapshot: West Virginia*

<http://www.state.wv.us/WVSCA/Bd%20of%20Law/covercss.htm>

Bar exam

2010 exam dates/location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tuesday, February 23 and Wednesday, February 24 in Charleston - Tuesday, July 27 and Wednesday, July 28 in Charleston
MEE subjects (MBE in bold)	<p>Business Associations (Agency and Partnership, and Corporations and LLCs), Conflict of Laws, Constitutional Law, Contracts, Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence, Family Law, Federal Civil Procedure, Real Property, Torts, Trusts and Estates (Decedents' Estates, and Trusts and Future Interests), and Uniform Commercial Code (Negotiable Instruments and Secured Transactions)</p>
Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tuesday = two MPTs (90 minutes each) and six MEE questions (30 minutes each) - 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"> - MPTs and MEE question scores are combined and scaled to MBE - MPT/MEE scaled score and MBE scaled score are combined to determine final score - Must earn combined scaled score of 270 to pass
MPRE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum passing score = 75 - Must achieve passing score within 25 months of passing bar exam - Must provide official score report EVEN IF you specified WV as a reporting state!!
Pass %	<p>July 2008 = 79% first time takers, 72% all takers</p>

Bar exam application

Contact info	<p>West Virginia Board of Law Examiners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 910 Quarrier St., Ste. 212, Davidson Bldg., Charleston, WV 25301 - 304.558.7815 or 800.841.6212 (toll free) - nancy.green@courtswv.gov
Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - February: timely = November 1, late = December 1 - July: timely = April 1, late = May 1 - Deadlines are POSTMARK dates
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application filing fee = \$375 - Late application filing fee = \$150 - NCBE character and fitness application fee = TBD
Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submit the following to the Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - One completed/notarized original character and fitness application along with three copies - Four completed Application Affidavits (with original signatures) - Four completed Affidavits of Authorization and Release (with original signatures) - Check or money order payable to "West Virginia Board of Law Examiners"
Attachments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Official transcripts from schools that awarded undergraduate degree and law degree - Credit report obtained within last 30 days - MPRE official score report (see above)
Character and Fitness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Character and fitness application available at www.ncbex.org/ea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1) Complete online and print two originals - 2) Sign and notarize where necessary - 3) Make four copies (keep one for self) - 4) Mail one original to NCBE with payment (either by providing credit card information or paying with check or money order)

Post-bar exam

Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Results released approximately six to eight weeks after exam - Results posted online by application number, official results mailed (results not available via phone)
Admission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Board issues certificate of eligibility - Must appear before Supreme Court of Appeals within 12 months of issuance - Must take oath and sign roll of attorneys - Ceremony held approximately one month after issuance of certificate

* All state bar exam information is subject to change without notice; please verify with bar examiner's office.