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OFFICIAL COMPILATION OF CODES, RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
TITLE 22. JUDICIARY  
SUBTITLE C. ANCILLARY AGENCIES  
CHAPTER I. STATE BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS  
PART 6000. RULES

Current through August 31, 2010.

\* Section 6000.6. \* Examination.

(a) Examination dates. The board shall hold examinations twice each year, on two consecutive days, being the last Tuesday and Wednesday of February and July.

(b) Passing score. The score required to pass the bar examination is 665.

(c) New York section. The first day of each examination (the New York section) will consist of 50 multiple choice questions and five essay questions in substantive and procedural law, and one Multistate Performance Test (MPT) developed by the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE). The multiple choice and essay questions presented on the New York section will test the subjects detailed in the Content Outline maintained on the board's website.

(d) Multistate Bar Examination (MBE). The Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) will be administered on the second day of the examination. Information regarding the MBE is available on the website of the National Conference of Bar Examiners at [www.ncbex.org](http://www.ncbex.org).

(e) Applicant must take all sections of the examination to be graded. In order for the examination to be graded the applicant must take both sessions of the New York section of the bar examination at the designated location in New York State and both sessions of the MBE section, either in New York State or in another jurisdiction. Any applicant who is not present for both sessions of the New York section will not be permitted to take the MBE in New York on the following day.

(f) Tardiness or absence. No applicant will be admitted to the examination more than one half hour after the examination session begins. An applicant who fails to appear for one session of the examination shall not be admitted to a later session.

(g) Transfer of MBE Scores.

(1) Transfer of concurrent MBE score from another jurisdiction to New York. An applicant taking the New York bar examination and a concurrent bar examination in another jurisdiction shall have the option to take the multistate bar examination (MBE) in the other jurisdiction on the same day that such New York, and the MBE scale score attained in such other jurisdiction will be combined with the applicant's scores on the New York section of the examination in the same manner as if the applicant had taken the MBE in New York. An applicant who elects to use an MBE score from another jurisdiction as permitted above shall notify the board of such election at the time that the application to sit for the New York State bar examination is filed, and shall make the arrangements to have such score timely transferred to New York. To transfer a concurrent MBE score to New York from another jurisdiction the applicant must complete the MBE score transfer form available on the website of the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE) and pay the prescribed NCBE score transfer fee, or, if the other jurisdiction transfers its own MBE scores, follow the procedures outlined by the other jurisdiction. The transferred MBE score must be received in the board's office no later than April 1st following a February examination, and no later than October 1st following a July examination. It shall be the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the board receives the report of the transferred MBE score in a timely manner. Failure to timely transfer an MBE score to the board shall result in the nullification of an applicant's bar examination scores.

(2) Transfer of MBE score earned in New York to other jurisdictions. An applicant taking the bar examination in New York may request the certification of an MBE score earned in New York to another jurisdiction. An

applicant requesting certification of an MBE score earned in New York to another jurisdiction must direct such request to the board's office on a form provided by the board and pay the fee prescribed in section 6000.3(c) of this Part.

(h) Multistate professional responsibility examination. All applicants who have passed the bar examination and are seeking admission to the practice of law in New York State must take and pass the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE) administered by the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE) prior to being certified by the board to the Appellate Division. The passing score in New York for the MPRE is 85. Applicants must designate New York as the jurisdiction to which the score should be reported or have an official score report sent to the board by the NCBE. Applicants must take and pass the MPRE within three years either before or after passing the New York bar examination, measured from the date the applicant sat for each examination.

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