



The Virgin Islands announced that it intends to administer the NextGen bar exam in July 2026. Visit <u>https://www.ncbex.org/exams/nextgen (/exams/ nextgen)</u> to learn more about the new exam.

The Virgin Islands requires the following NCBE exams: MBE, MEE, MPT, and MPRE. Visit the <u>NCBE Study Aids Store (https://store.ncbex.org/)</u> to purchase the <u>Bar Exam Everything Value Pack (https://store.ncbex.org/the-everything-value-pack/)</u> which includes MBE, MEE, and MPT study aids; and <u>MPRE study aids (https://store.ncbex.org/mpre/)</u> to help prepare for Virgin Islands exams.

Bar Admission Agency

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Character & Fitness Investigations

NCBE conducts investigations for some application types.

MPRE Requirements

MPRE Required Yes MPRE Minimum Passing Score 75 MPRE Score Time Parameters

Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—MPRE Requirements, MBE Score Transfers, Courtesy Seating, and Attorneys' Exams

Minimum passing MPRE score 75 Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must be earned or achieved? Yes Are MBE scores accepted for transfer from other jurisdictions? Yes Is courtesy seating allowed? No Is an Attorneys' Exam offered? No To qualify for the Attorneys' Exam, must an applicant be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? — Attorneys' Exam fee —

Bar Exam Eligibility, Deadlines, and Fees

ABA-Approved Law School J.D. Required Yes Foreign Law Graduate Eligibility No Bar Exam Application Filing Deadlines

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Bar Exam Components

Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) Yes Accepts Transferred MBE Scores Yes

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Multistate Essay Examination (MEE) Yes Multistate Performance Test (MPT) Yes Jurisdiction-Drafted Exam No

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UBE Adoption

UBE Adoption Yes UBE First Administration Date July 2017 UBE Minimum Passing Score 266 UBE Jurisdiction-Specific Component Yes

Uniform Bar Examination Jurisdictions—Admission by Examination or by Transferred UBE Score

Date of first UBE administration July 2017

Is completing a jurisdiction-specific component required before admission? Yes

Minimum passing UBE score 266

Is there a limit on the number of attempts to earn a passing UBE score? no limit

Time limit for accepting a transferred UBE score (i.e., maximum age of the UBE score) 3 years

Is concurrent application for admission by transferred UBE score allowed? Yes

Application fee for admission by transferred UBE score \$1,100 (plus C&F fee)

Notes

Admission on Earned or Transferred Bar Exam Score

UBE Minimum Score 266 Non-UBE Minimum Score - Admission on Transferred UBE Score Yes Effective Date April 2017

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Date of first UBE administration July 2017 Is completing a jurisdiction-specific component required before admission? Yes Minimum passing UBE score 266 Is there a limit on the number of attempts to earn a passing UBE score? no limit Time limit for accepting a transferred UBE score (i.e., maximum age of the UBE score) 3 years Is concurrent application for admission by transferred UBE score allowed? Yes Application fee for admission by transferred UBE score \$1,100 (plus C&F fee) Notes

Admission on Motion

Rules Provide for Admission on Motion Yes

Admission on Motion—Years of Practice and Definition of Practice

Do the rules provide for admission on motion? Yes

What is the number of years of practice required for admission on motion? 5 of past 7

What does the definition of practice for purposes of admission on motion include?

Law teaching, gov't agency, military, in-house corporate, judicial court of record

Are there any time parameters within which an MPRE score must have been earned or achieved? No

Admission on motion fee \$2,500 (plus C&F and other fees)

Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

Admission on Motion—Legal Education and Reciprocity Requirements

Must an applicant for admission on motion be a graduate of an ABA-approved law school? Yes Is admission on motion based on reciprocity (that is, is it limited to candidates from some or all jurisdictions offering admission on motion)? Yes Is an attorney initially admitted by diploma privilege eligible for admission on motion? No

Number of Years of Practice Required 5 of past 7

Disclaimer

Since jurisdiction rules and policies change, NCBE strongly advises consulting the jurisdiction's bar admission agency directly for the most current information.