

MARYLAND RULES OF PROCEDURE

RULES OF THE BOARD

Board Rule 5. Examination Format, Qualifying UBE Score and Grading

(a) Authority. Pursuant to Rule 19-203, the State Board of Law Examiners shall administer the Uniform Bar Examination, published by the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE). The subject matter, format, and specifications of the UBE are determined by the NCBE. The UBE currently consists of the Multistate Bar Examination (MBE), the Multistate Essay Examination (MEE) and the Multistate Performance Tests (MPT).

(b) Qualifying UBE Score. Pursuant to Rule 19-203 (d), the Board determines that a qualifying UBE score is a scaled score of 266 earned by an applicant on an administration of the UBE given in Maryland or in an administration of the UBE given in another UBE State within the 3 years preceding the filing of a Notice of Intent to Transfer a Qualifying UBE Score pursuant to Rule 19-207. The 3-year period shall be deemed to run from August 1 next following a July administration of the UBE through July 31 three years later, and from March 1 next following a February administration of the UBE through the last day of February three years later. In the event that a UBE administration scheduled for a July or a February is postponed, scores earned on the postponed administration shall be treated as if the UBE had been administered on the originally scheduled dates.

(c) Grading.

(1) The MBE is a multiple-choice test published and scored by the National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE) and its agents.

(2) The MEE and MPT are essay tests published by the NCBE and graded by the Board. Scaling of Raw MEE scores and raw MPT scores to the MBE is performed by NCBE.

(3) Calculation of an applicant's total UBE score is performed by NCBE.

(d) No Regrade or Appeal. After the NCBE calculates an applicant's UBE score, the Board shall not regrade or otherwise reconsider any MPT or MEE answer. Except as provided in Rule 19-209 (a), an applicant's examination results shall not be subject to appeal.

(e) How UBE transfer score to be reported. Each individual who files a Notice of Intent to Transfer a Qualifying UBE Score pursuant to Rule 19-207 shall cause the Board to receive from the NCBE a valid score report demonstrating that the individual achieved a Qualifying UBE Score.