

General Information and Schedule for Applicants Needing Non-Standard (NTA) Test Accommodations For A Disability or Breaks Because of a Health-Related Condition

The July 2021 bar exam will be composed of all components of the Uniform Bar Examination (UBE): two Multistate Performance Test (MPT) items, six Multistate Essay Examination (MEE) questions and 200 Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) questions. All applicants will be able to:

1. Take the exam in a location of their choice with their own computer using secure software.
2. Increase the font size of both the question and answer text for all test sessions.
3. Use physical scrap paper for the MPT items.
4. Use virtual scrap paper for all sessions.
5. Use spell check in response to the MPT items and MEE questions.
6. Directly select MBE answer choices on the computer screen (as well as strike out answer choices). **There is no scantron sheet with circles to darken.**

The standard time schedule consists of **eight (8), 90-minute testing sessions over two days** with scheduled breaks between sessions and a lunch break (see Chart A). A password is required to start each session, and passwords for the standard time schedule will be released **15** minutes before each scheduled start time. Applicants may begin any session as soon as the password is released and therefore are not required to take all scheduled break time.

Chart A Standard Time Schedule <i>Breaks between sessions are 30 minutes. The lunch break is 90 minutes. Applicants may begin each session as soon as the password is released.</i>	
<p>TUESDAY, July 27th</p> <p>MPT 1 (90 Minutes) (9-10:30AM)</p> <p>BREAK</p> <p>MPT 2 (90 Minutes) (11-12:30PM)</p> <p>LUNCH BREAK</p> <p>MEE 1, 2, 3 (90 Minutes) (2-3:30PM)</p> <p>BREAK</p> <p>MEE 4, 5, 6 (90 Minutes) (4-5:30PM)</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, July 28th</p> <p>MBE 1-50 (90 Minutes) (9-10:30AM)</p> <p>BREAK</p> <p>MBE 51-100 (90 Minutes) (11-12:30PM)</p> <p>LUNCH BREAK</p> <p>MBE 101-150 (90 Minutes) (2-3:30PM)</p> <p>BREAK</p> <p>MBE 151-200 (90 Minutes) (4-5:30PM)</p>

The schedule for all applicants awarded non-standard (NTA) test accommodations (breaks in testing and/or extra testing time) for a disability under the ADA and for all applicants who need breaks because of a health-related condition consists of sixteen (16) testing sessions of varying times over four days with scheduled breaks of at least 30 minutes between each test session (see Chart B). A password is required to start each session, and passwords for the NTA schedule will be released **20** minutes before each scheduled start time. Applicants assigned to this schedule may begin any session as soon as the password is released and therefore are not required to take all 30 minutes of the scheduled break time.

Chart B

Schedule For All Applicants Granted Test Accommodations For A Disability Or Who Need Breaks Because of a Health-Related Condition

The length of each session noted below (in minutes) is the standard time for the session. Extra testing time awarded (25%, 50%, 100%) is added to this time. Breaks between sessions are at least 30 minutes but applicants may begin each session as soon as the password is released.

TUESDAY, July 27th	WEDNESDAY, July 28th	THURSDAY, July 29th	FRIDAY July 30th
MEE 1 (30 Minutes)	MBE 1-25 (45 Minutes)	MBE 101-125 (45 Minutes)	MPT 1 (90 Minutes)*
BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
MEE 2 (30 Minutes)	MBE 26-50 (45 Minutes)	MBE 126-150 (45 Minutes)	MPT 2 (90 Minutes)*
BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	
MEE 3 (30 Minutes)	MBE 51-75 (45 Minutes)	MBE 151-175 (45 Minutes)	
BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	
MEE 4 (30 Minutes)	MBE 76-100 (45 Minutes)	MBE 176-200 (45 Minutes)	
BREAK			
MEE 5 (30 Minutes)			
BREAK			
MEE 6 (30 Minutes)			

****Applicants may get up to use the restroom during each MPT session.***

Extra testing time awarded to an applicant (25%, 50%, 100%) will be added to each remote session. Therefore, the specific length (in minutes) and the specific schedule (start and end times) of each remote session will depend on the amount of any extra testing time (25%, 50%, 100%) awarded to an applicant **and will be set forth in the applicant's determination letter.**

If an applicant cannot access any portion of the remote exam because of a disability under the ADA, the applicant should so state in their timely-submitted Application or Re-Application for Non-Standard Testing Accommodations so that the Board can consider all requests. The testing software is not able to pause the session time for an "off-the-clock" break taken on demand. The schedule consists of 16 sessions in an effort to meet the need for breaks. While applicants are respectfully asked to keep this in mind when making requests, they should by no means refrain from making any and all reasonable requests required for access. Access to the bar exam is and will remain the standard. The deadline to submit the Application or Re-Application for Non-Standard Testing Accommodations is April 30, 2021.

If an applicant does not have a disability under the ADA but needs more break time than permitted under the standard time schedule (Chart A) because of a health-related condition (including pregnancy or nursing/pumping), the applicant should timely submit an Administrative Accommodation Request form by June 1, 2021 requesting the four-day schedule (Chart B).