

LAPTOP TESTING PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS

Laptop testing for the Georgia Bar Examination will be administered using ExamSoft's Exemplify software. Applicants who register their laptop will be permitted to use their personal laptop computer to provide their answers to the Multistate Performance Test (MPT) and Essay portions of the exam.

Applicants will be required to ensure that their laptop meets or exceeds Exemplify's [minimum system requirements](#). **Windows tablet devices, iPad, and any other tablet computers are not allowed. External keyboards (wired or wireless), mouse devices (wired or wireless), USB keys, CDs, or any other storage devices are also not allowed.**

Exemplify will auto-upload the MPT and Essay answer files once internet connectivity is established on testing day. Applicants will not be able to access the internet during the exam; however, once applicants leave the exam site and establish internet connectivity, the answer files can be uploaded. An email will be sent to applicants on the Tuesday afternoon of the exam with upload instructions. Applicants will be required to upload the answer files no later than noon on the Thursday following the bar exam. The answers will be printed and distributed to the Georgia Board of Bar Examiners for grading in the same manner as for the handwritten answers.

Applicants will be required to install and use the current version of Exemplify approved by the Board of Bar Examiners. Applicants will also be required to read the Frequently Asked Questions found at <http://www.examsoft.com/gabar> and <http://www.examsoft.com/barfaq> to ensure they understand the laptop testing process and how to use the Exemplify software.

Applicants will also be required to follow all instructions related to the navigation between MPT and Essay Answers. Applicants may not use keyboard commands or short-cut keys during the exam.

Applicants who do not own the laptop they intend to use for the exam must ensure there are no restrictions on that laptop that will prevent installation of the testing software. Also, applicants should make arrangements to maintain access to the laptop until after the results of the exam have been released in late May.

Applicants who request testing accommodations pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and want to take the exam with a laptop must register their laptop with ExamSoft in addition to following the Board of Bar Examiners' Policy regarding ADA accommodations. To view the policy and forms, click on the [ADA Accommodations Forms](#).

General Information

Applicants may apply for laptop testing after the Board to Determine Fitness of Bar Applicants certifies that they are fit to practice law (See Part A, Section 11 of the [Rules Governing Admission to Practice Law](#)).

In order to receive laptop registration information, applicants should log in to their homepage at www.gabaradmissions.org.

- Click on the "Application Forms" tab, then click on "APPLY" under the "Bar Exam Application" heading.

- Respond to the Eligibility Questions that appear on the screen.
- Answer “Yes” to the laptop question indicating the intent to use a laptop computer to write the MPT and Essay portions of the examination.
- Submit the eligibility request to confirm an intent to use a laptop computer to write the MPT and Essay portions of the exam.

Applicants who submit the eligibility request noted above (and who complete registration for the Bar Exam) will receive an email from ExamSoft outlining the steps required to complete the laptop registration process.

Laptop registration for the February Exam will begin in January, and laptop registration for the July Exam will begin in June. Applicants who fail to register their laptop by the posted deadline will not be allowed to use a laptop for the exam.

ExamSoft’s laptop fee is nonrefundable. If an applicant pays the laptop fee, but fails to complete all of the other steps for laptop registration (as outlined in the email notification from ExamSoft), the applicant will be required to hand write the exam.

Laptop Registration does not register an applicant for the Bar Examination. The laptop fee is separate from and in addition to the fee to register for the February Bar Examination.

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