Laptop Testing Procedures and Requirements

Laptop testing for the Georgia Bar Examination will be administered using ExamSoft’s Examplify software. Applicants who register their laptop will be permitted to use their laptop to provide their answers to the Multistate Performance Test and Essay portions of the exam. In order to receive instructions on laptop registration, applicants should answer “yes” to the Bar Exam Application question that asks if they want to use a laptop to take the Exam, and they must then complete their Bar Exam Application, which includes paying the fees.

Once the laptop registration window opens (click here for information about the laptop registration window for the upcoming exam), applicants who have received instructions on laptop registration will be able to install the current version of Examplify. Applicants who have previously taken the Georgia Bar Exam on a laptop will not be able to use the version of Examplify they previously uploaded; they will be required to install the current version. 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.

Applicants will be required to ensure that their laptop meets or exceeds Examplify’s minimum system requirements. Windows tablet devices, iPads, 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.

Applicants who fail to register a laptop by the posted deadline will not be allowed to use a laptop for the exam. If an applicant registers a laptop but decides after the end of the laptop registration window that they want to use a different laptop, the applicant may register the new laptop and pay a $50 conversion fee to ExamSoft. The last day to switch laptops or reinstall Examplify on a laptop is the Monday before the start of the Exam. ExamSoft’s laptop fees are 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), such as uploading answers to a mock exam), the applicant may be required to handwrite the exam.

For the answers to frequently asked questions about laptop testing and Examplify, click here.