



**2019 LEGAL SPECIALIST EXAMINATION
CODE BOOK BULLETIN**

Applicants taking the 2019 Legal Specialist Examination in one of the following four specialty areas may bring in an optional, **unmarked** copy of an annotated or unannotated code book into the examination as described below.

1. Bankruptcy Law: *Bankruptcy Code and Rules*.
2. Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law: *California Probate Code*.
3. Immigration and Nationality Law: *Immigration & Nationality Act*.
4. Taxation: *Internal Revenue Code*.

You may only write your name and contact information on the inside cover of the book, but publications must otherwise be completely free from markings, writing, highlighting, page turnings, underlining, or tabs of any kind. Publications must be commercial volumes bound by the publisher. Homemade or printed copies, electronic copies, e-books, practice guides, textbooks, or hornbooks are not allowed into the examination room. Do not bring regulations, such as the California Code of Regulations or the Code of Federal Regulations.

Doors open at 7:00 a.m. If you plan to bring a code book, please arrive no later than this time to have the book inspected prior to entering the examination room. You must get your code book inspected, be seated, and be ready to begin by 7:30 a.m. If you are seated after this time for any reason, the instructions will not be repeated for you and you will not be given extra time.

You will be able to use the book during both the essay and multiple-choice portions of the examination. You will be asked to leave the code book at your desk after the morning session to expedite entry in the afternoon.

If you choose not to bring a book, or your book is determined not to meet the requirements, you will still be able to take the Legal Specialist Examination.

Examples of reference texts that meet the requirements, so long as the books are unmarked as described above, are listed in the chart on the back page.

Unannotated Code Books Allowed in the Legal Specialist Examination Testing Room

Specialty	Code Book(s)	Publisher(s)
Bankruptcy Law	United States Bankruptcy Code and Rules Booklet	LegalPub.com
	The Portable Bankruptcy Code and Rules	American Bar Association (ABA)
	The Collier Pamphlet Edition	LexisNexis
Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law	California Probate Code	Deerings
		West (Thomson Reuters)
		CEB
Immigration and Nationality Law	Immigration and Nationality Act Pamphlet	Matthew Bender
	Immigration and Nationality Act	American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)
Taxation Law	Internal Revenue Code (Two Volumes)	CCH Books and Publications
		RIA (Thomson Reuters)

Annotated Code Books Allowed in the Legal Specialist Examination Testing Room

Specialty	Code Book(s)	Publisher(s)
Bankruptcy Law	Bankruptcy Code, Rules and Forms	Thomson Reuters
Estate Planning, Trust and Probate Law	California Probate Code Annotated	McGovern (Thomson Reuters)
	California Probate Code Annotated to CEB Publications	Continuing Education of The Bar
Immigration and Nationality Law	No qualifying book submitted.	No qualifying book submitted.
Taxation Law	Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and Treasury Regulations: Annotated and Selected, 32 nd Edition	South-Western Federal Taxation

If you have questions about books, you may e-mail the department at legalspec@calbar.ca.gov.