

February 23, 2024



With less than one week to go before the February 27–28 Bar Exam, here's what you need to know to make sure you're ready for exam day. You got this!

### **Key Dates and Deadlines**

TODAY, February 23: Deadline for laptop users to complete the **mandatory** mock exam and download exam files  
February 29 (12:00 p.m. Pacific Time): Deadline for laptop users to upload answer files. Applicants with testing accommodations spanning three or more testing days should review their laptop instructions for exam uploading deadlines.

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### **\*Important\* Final Day for Laptop Users to Complete Required Mock Exam**

- Review [ExamSoft's instructions for taking the mock exam](#).
- Confirm you have completed the mock exam by launching Exemplify on your laptop.
- After you have downloaded and completed the mandatory mock exam and uploaded the related exam answer files, the files for the actual exam will download automatically. Exam files will not contain exam questions; you will receive those on exam day.

### **Pre-Exam Checklist for Laptop Users**

- Confirm you are using Exemplify version 3.6.1 (the number is displayed in the bottom right corner of the screen after the program launch). If you are not on the correct version, call **ExamSoft Support at 888-816-3065**.
- Confirm that [all exam files](#) are listed in the left column of your Exemplify dashboard and that "Exam File Downloaded" appears below each file name. If any of the required files are not listed, click on "Refresh Exam List" and then "Download Exam" next to each exam file that has not yet been downloaded. If you still do not see all the files, contact [ExamSoft Support](#)
- Preview sample [exam day instructions](#).

### **Exam Day Checklist**

Plan to arrive at your test center at least 20 minutes early to check in and locate your assigned section or room. Applicants using laptops must be seated by 8:20 a.m. All applicants must be seated by 8:30 a.m. [Review the full schedule](#). Remember to bring the following:

- Valid government-issued ID

- Printed admittance ticket (with no other writing on it), found in the [Applicant Portal](#)
- Laptop, if using, and a charging cord (keep laptops plugged in until each exam session ends)
- Water bottle (optional, but recommended). It must be a clear, plastic container with a lid no larger than 32 ounces. It must have no labels or writing. To reduce the chance of accidental spillage, store water bottles on the floor away from exam materials.
- Any other approved items you will need. Review the list of approved items on page 3 of the [Admittance Ticket Bulletin](#), and note that the list is slightly different for the Multistate Bar Exam on Day 2.

### **What to Expect on Exam Day**

For the best chance of having a smooth testing experience, read the [Admittance Ticket Bulletin](#) for important exam-day information. Laptop users may review [ExamSoft's preparation tips](#) and [best practices](#).

Since the State Bar will be using larger test sites for this exam administration, more applicants will be at each site. Arrive early to ensure sufficient time to park and settle into your testing space.

[Read our FAQ](#) for more information about the new test centers at Cow Palace in San Francisco, the State Bar of California in Los Angeles, and the Judicial Council Office in San Francisco.

Applicants who wish to familiarize themselves with their testing site before exam day may do so from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 26.

### **What Happens After the Exam**

For laptop users, once you have exited the exam, the software will auto-upload your answer files when you have an Internet connection. [Review ExamSoft's instructions for confirming the upload](#), which must be completed by 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time on February 29, unless you have testing accommodations that specify otherwise.

Results from the February 2024 bar exam are scheduled to be released to applicants in the Applicant Portal at 6:00 p.m. Pacific Time on May 3. Applicants can also access the pass list on the [Exam Results webpage](#), which contains links to more information for successful applicants.

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