

BAR EXAMINATION SCORING

The Idaho bar examination consists of six Multistate Essay Exam (MEE) questions, two Multistate Performance Test (MPT) questions and the Multistate Bar Examination (MBE). The National Conference of Bar Examiners (NCBE) drafts the MEE, the MPT and the MBE questions. If all components of the Idaho bar examination are taken in the same examination administration and given according to the standards established by the NCBE, the examination qualifies as the Uniform Bar Examination (UBE).

The NCBE prepares the suggested analyses for the MEE and the MPT. The questions are subject to the NCBE's grading rubric and weights and to the Idaho grading standards. Following is the process for calculating scores on the essay questions and the performance questions:

- 1. Graders use a 100-point scale for assigning raw scores on all essay questions as outlined in the "General Standards for the Assignment of Grades" found in the *Bar Examination Grading Standards and Procedures*.
- 2. The 100-point raw essay scores are then converted to a 200-point scaled essay score using the Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) score. This is done to ensure consistent interpretation across test administrations. The MBE is weighted 50%, the MEE is weighted 30%, and the MPT is weighted 20%.
- **3.** The total available points are:

i.	Essay Exam Questions	200
ii.	Multistate Bar Exam	<u>200</u>
iii.	Total Possible Score	400

- iv. Passing Score 270
- v. Passing Score without MBE 135