

Scope Descriptions of the Louisiana Bar Examination for July 2020 and October 2020

The July 2020 and October 2020 bar examination will be adjusted in the following manners:

Excluded subjects: The subjects of Business Entities and Constitutional Law will not be tested.

Schedule: 50 minutes per exam as follows:

8:00-8:50	Civil Code I
9:00-9:50	Civil Code II
9:50-10:15	BREAK
10:15-11:05	Civil Code III
11:15-12:05	Louisiana Code of Civil Procedure
12:05-1:15	LUNCH
1:15-2:05	Torts
2:15-3:05	Criminal Law, Procedure and Evidence
3:05-3:30	BREAK
3:30-4:20	Federal Jurisdiction and Procedure

The schedule will be adjusted for those applicants granted accommodations for additional time.

Scoring: Each exam will be weighted equally and will have a maximum score of 100 points, for a total possible maximum score of 700 points. A passing score will be 500 points.

Format of each exam: The seven exams will be in essay format (similar to the essay format for prior exams). The content for the examination administered in July will be comparable, but not identical, to the content for the one in October.

Subject matter scope: The scope of the seven subjects to be tested will be narrowed as follows from what is indicated on the Committee on Bar Admissions website:

Code I: Persons and family law, limited to marriage, divorce, separation, child support, alimony, regimes, and community property; and property law, limited to classification of things, ownership and accession, personal servitudes of usufruct and right of use, predial servitudes, co-ownership, possession, and acquisitive prescription.

Topics Excluded: Domicile, absent persons, filiation, tutorship, interdictions, habitation, occupancy, boundary actions, and building restrictions.

Code II: Intestate distribution, including representation of deceased persons, devolution of community and separate property, usufruct, acceptance and renunciation, forced heirship, reduction, and the disposable portion (including calculation of the mass of succession). Testate distribution, forms of testaments, revocation, interpretation of legacies, witnesses, testamentary accretion, and conjoint legacies. Requirements and effects of donations inter vivos, including form, **capacity**, and acceptance. Prohibited donations inter vivos and mortis causa and the effects thereof.

Topics Excluded: Incapacity, unworthiness, collation, adoption, and trusts.

Code III: Obligations, including conventional obligations or contracts; sale; lease; mortgages; liberative prescription.

Topics Excluded: Deposit, compromise, and security devices other than mortgages.

Louisiana Code of Civil Procedure: Any part of the Code of Civil Procedure governing general matters of procedure, but excluding procedural rules limited to special types of actions.

Topics Excluded: Procedures related to special actions.

Torts: All Civil Code Articles relating to negligent, intentional, and strict liability tort actions, including specifically Articles 2315 through and including 2324.1 and Articles 659 through and including 671 of the Louisiana Civil Code. The applicability or exclusivity of the Louisiana Workers' Compensation Statute. Products liability law and medical malpractice.

Topics Excluded: Public entity liability, merchant liability, conflicts of laws.

Criminal Law, Procedure and Evidence: Substantive criminal law and procedure as contained in the United States Constitution, the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, the Louisiana Criminal Code, the Louisiana Code of Criminal Procedure and in the applicable jurisprudence. Louisiana evidence law (whether for criminal or civil actions) as contained in the Louisiana Evidence Code and in the applicable jurisprudence.

Topics Excluded: None.

Federal Jurisdiction and Procedure: Questions regarding the jurisdiction of federal courts, the federal judicial system, and the law governing proceedings in those courts. This includes the exercise of subject-matter and personal jurisdiction in federal courts, removal and remand, venue, the law applied in federal courts, and other relations between federal courts and the states, joinder of parties and claims, pleading requirements, motion practice, and, generally, the procedural rules applicable in the district courts under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Title 28 of the United States Code.

Topics Excluded: Service of process, discovery, abstention doctrines, injunctions, and appeals and appellate procedure.

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