

LP Entry Exam Information

In addition to a portfolio and other admission conditions or qualifications, the Supreme Court rules require that applicants pass an examination.

Oregon State Bar will host LP Entry Examinations at regional exam sites around the state. The subject matter exam will be a multiple choice exam testing the applicants' knowledge of the Rules for Licensing Paralegals (RLP), as they limit the scope of an LP's practice. Because of the exam's format, applicants will not have a significant wait time before learning their exam scores (ideally less than 2 weeks).

We currently expect to hold each subject matter exam twice a year (ideally once in early Spring/Summer and again at the end of the year). We will update our "Apply for License" [page](#) with more information as it becomes available.

See Sections 6.4-6.7 of the RLPs for more information on the rules establishing the Entry Exam, including time, place, form, and manner of the exam and testing accommodations for the exam. As the exam does not include any essay portions, please disregard any provisions related to grading the exam. The exam will be a multiple choice test and graded through the use of an answer key.

The LP Assessment Committee (LPAC) was charged with establishing the structure, format, components, and processes for drafting questions, and testing policies for the required examination. The LPAC left further refining of requirements to the Admissions Department and the Committee of Paralegal Assessors (CoPA).

Based on the recommendations of LPAC, the following LP Exam requirements must be adhered to:

- In-person, proctored testing
- Working with community colleges across Oregon who have offered their campuses as testing sites; and, to the greatest extent possible, have geographic rotation of the Exam sites each quarter to accommodate applicants' transportation issues as equitably as possible
- The content of the exam will be exclusively focused on the applicants' learning and knowledge of Rule 11 of the RLP. The exam will test an applicants' knowledge of Rule 11 as it pertains to the endorsement they are seeking.
 - Applicants seeking an endorsement in family law will be tested on Rule 11.1.
 - Applicants seeking an endorsement in landlord-tenant law will be tested on Rule 11.2.

- Applicants seeking both endorsements will have to take both exams.
- That the test would be no more than 2 hours and broken into at least two segments if the test is more than 90 minutes
 - In order to comply with LPAC's time goal, the family law and landlord-tenant exams will be tested at different times and possibly on different days. Each exam is intended to be completed in one hour or less. If they are tested on the same day, there will be at least a 30 minute break between sessions.