

GENERAL EXAMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

1) The following are PERMITTED in the examination room: photo ID, wallet, medications, tissues, earplugs, #2 pencils, pens, erasers, "hi-liters", analog watch, and one small (1 liter) spill-proof container of water. You must bring these items in a small, clear food storage bag (except for water). THESE ARE THE ONLY ITEMS ALLOWED IN THE EXAMINATION ROOM. You should dress in layers. Often the testing room starts off very cool and warms up as the day progresses.

2) All items not mentioned in #1 above are **PROHIBITED**. Specifically NO food, drinks, books, papers, handbags, briefcases, backpacks, suitcases, pagers, calculators, PDA's, telephones, cameras, headphones or headsets, programmable and/or digital watches, timers of any kind, weapons, etc. will be permitted in the exam room. These items should be left at home, in your car or in your hotel room.

WARNING: IF YOU BRING A PROHIBITED ITEM INTO THE EXAMINATION ROOM OR USE A PROHIBITED ITEM DURING THE EXAMINATION, IT WILL BE CONFISCATED AND YOU WILL BE REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE FOR DISQUALIFICATION. YOU WILL BE DENIED ENTRY FOR SUBSEQUENT SESSIONS IF YOU AGAIN ATTEMPT TO BRING ANY PROHIBITED ITEM INTO THE EXAMINATION ROOM.

3) Each applicant must sign a statement under penalty of perjury at the exam site affirming that s/he is not in possession of any prohibited item.

4) Smoking is not permitted in the examination room.

5) Permission to leave the examination room during the examination must be obtained from the proctor.

6) Applicants must be at the test site on time. No additional time will be given to an applicant who arrives late.

7) Applicants are not permitted to leave the examination room during the last twenty (20) minutes of each testing session.

MULTISTATE BAR EXAMINATION

7) Abbreviated instructions for taking the Multistate Bar Examination (MBE) can be found in the MBE Information Booklet available on-line at www.ncbex.org. Detailed instructions will be provided the morning of the examination. **Bring plenty of #2 pencils.**

ESSAY EXAMINATION

8) The Connecticut/Multistate Essay Examination is a 12-question, essay-style examination. Each question should be answered in 30 minutes; however, it is up to each applicant to allocate their time accordingly. Questions 1 - 6 are distributed in the morning and questions 7 - 12 in the afternoon. Questions are collected at the end of the morning and afternoon sessions. Detailed instructions will be provided the morning of the examination. **Bring plenty of black and/or blue pens.**

9) On the cover of each examination book write only the examination number assigned to you. **Do not write your name on any book.** Make certain that you answer each question in the examination book for that question.

10) Use a separate book for each question. If you use more than one book, make sure that each book is properly numbered. Additional books may be obtained from the proctor.

11) WRITE PLAINLY. Credit cannot be given for answers which cannot be read. Use both sides of the paper. Single space your answer. Skip lines only if necessary.

12) The proctors are at the site to administer the examination. The proctors cannot answer questions about possible problems with essay (or MBE) questions. Answer the questions to the best of your ability. If you believe there is a problem with a test question, advise the Committee immediately after the examination.

13) All applicants must cease writing when told to do so by the proctors. Failure to comply with this instruction may result in your disqualification.

14) If you have registered to use your laptop computer on the essay portion of the examination, please visit http://www.jud.ct.gov/cbec/computer_based_testing.htm for instructions particular to the laptop program.