



BEFORE-THE-BAR CHECKLIST

MAKE A LIST

- Read through jurisdiction handouts
- Take notes of rules, regulations, and state bar guidelines
 - *Dress code, testing materials, check-in time, etc.*

DOUBLE-CHECK REQUIREMENTS

- Pay all fees
- Register laptop
- Check that laptop fits SofTest PC or Mac requirements
- Review jurisdiction restrictions

PLAN STAY

- Determine staying location
- Make reservations (*if applicable*)
- Buy food
- Plan out free time

MAKE A GAME PLAN

- Outline morning routine
- Look up directions to venue
- Plan transportation
- Familiarize self with venue layout and check-in process
- Determine self-timing during the exam

TEST EQUIPMENT

- Install SofTest software
- Complete Mock Exam (*if applicable*)
- Familiarize self with SofTest and computer
- Test writing materials

PACK BAGS

- Clothes
 - 2 semi-formal layered outfits
 - Comfortable clothing *ex. sweats*
 - Coat or jacket
 - Pajamas
 - 1 pair semi-formal shoes
 - 1 pair casual or gym shoes
 - Accessories (*ex. socks, belts*)
- Personal Care Items
 - Shampoo, hairbrush, toothpaste, etc.
- Testing Materials
 - Pens, No. 2 pencils
 - Laptop
 - *Including charger, non-wireless mouse, laptop case*
 - Government-issued ID
 - Proof of admission
 - Bar prep, study guides for review*
- Miscellaneous
 - Movies, music, free time items
 - Food
 - Money (*including one-dollar bills for vending machines and transportation*)

ELIMINATE DISTRACTIONS

- Pay bills
- Find quiet space to study before and stay during the exam
- Inform friends and family of the bar exam

PRIORITIZE STUDYING

**Note: AdaptiBar recommends that you leave the majority of your study materials at home. Studying too close to the exam will only confuse you more during the test.*