

Division 12. Minimum, Cumulative Bar Examination Pass Rate

12.1 Criteria for Determining Compliance with Accredited Law School Rule 4.160(M). In evaluating the compliance of a law school with the accreditation standard set forth in Accredited Law School Rule 4.160(M), a law school must maintain a cumulative, **minimum** bar examination pass rate (CBEPR) of at least 40 percent **for the most recent, five-year period of time**. The rate will be calculated **and reported** annually to the Committee in the law school's Annual Compliance Report.

To calculate and report its CBEPR accurately, the law school must use the following reporting period and methodology: The reporting period covers the five most-recent calendar years prior to the year in which the CBEPR is reported and is to include the pass/fail results of all who graduate during this period starting with the July administration of the California Bar Examination in the first calendar year and ending with those who graduate and then to take the February administration of the California Bar Examination in the same calendar year in which a CBEPR is reported.

The methodology to be used to calculate a compliant CBEPR is a percentage of the total number of a law school's graduates who take and pass any one of the ten administrations of the California Bar Examination during the reporting period, ~~as a percentage of all the school's students who (a) have graduated from the school within the past five years and (b) have taken and passed one of the ten administrations of the California Bar Examination given following their graduation,~~ divided by the total number of the school's graduates over the same five-year reporting period who take but do not pass the California Bar Examination. ~~s who take any of those same ten administrations of the California Bar Examination.~~ Graduates who choose not to take any bar examination will not be included.

12.2 Action Taken When a Law School is in Noncompliance with Guideline 12.1.

If the Committee finds that a law school is not in compliance with this Guideline, it will issue a Notice of noncompliance pursuant to Rule 4.170.

[Mandatory calculation and reporting of the CBEPR by each accredited law school will **begin in 2014 with a reporting period that starts with a law school's graduates in 2009 who took the July 2009 administration of the California Bar Examination and that ends with those 2013 graduates who took the February 2014 California Bar Examination.** An accredited law school must submit a one-time report of its 2014 CBEPR calculation on or before July 1, 2014 using the Committee's form. Thereafter, the law school must report its CBEPR calculation with its Annual Compliance Report. ~~go into effect with the submission of their 2013 Annual Compliance Report.~~ With the submission of **any 2013 the 2014 CBEPR report Annual Compliance Report** by any accredited law school that does not report compliance with Guideline 12.1, the Committee may issue that law school a Notice of Noncompliance. **Any** law school that fails to report compliance with Guideline 12.1 in its 2016 Annual Compliance Report **shall** will be placed on probation by the Committee pursuant to Rule 4.172; any law school placed on probation and

thereafter does not meet the terms of its probation by the end on 2017 ~~shall~~ will be subject to the loss of its accreditation.]

Guideline 12.1 & 12.2 adopted effective ~~January 1, 2013~~. _____.