

MLO EXAM LOCATIONS AND FAQ's

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Q. Where will I find information regarding the availability of NMLS exam centers and exam locations?

A. Information on pre-licensing testing and testing centers can be accessed via the NMLS website at www.stateregulatoryregistry.org/nmls by selecting the Professional Requirements link.

Q. How much does it cost to take the NMLS exam?

A. The National component cost is \$92, and the State component cost is \$69. Exam fees must be paid at the time you register for the exam. Fees cannot be paid at the testing center.

Q. How many questions are on the exam?

A. There will be a total of 100 exam questions on the National component, of which 90 are scored. The time allotted for the exam will be 150 minutes with an additional 30 minutes for completing a tutorial and an optional candidate survey. State specific component will consist of 55 scored questions plus 10 questions which are not scored. The exam time will be 90 minutes with an additional 30 minutes for completing a tutorial and an optional candidate survey.

Q. How will the exams be scored?

A. All of the exams will be graded/scored electronically. Once a candidate has finished taking a test component, the candidate's score (percentage correct) and exam result (pass/fail designation) will appear on the screen. And before departing the exam center, a printed score report will be presented to the candidate by the exam center administrator. NMLS will post the official version of the results to the Testing Information section under the Composite View.

Q. What are the minimum passing grades to be licensed?

A. By law, all MLOs seeking state-licensure, or currently holding a state license, are required to pass both the national and state components of the SAFE Mortgage Loan Originator Test with a score of 75% or better on each component.

You must register for your test(s) with the National Mortgage Licensing System and Registry (NMLS) prior to scheduling your testing appointment at a Prometric Testing Center. Please visit the NMLS Resource Center for more information about creating an account with NMLS. You will need your NMLS ID number to schedule your testing appointment.

<http://mortgage.nationwidelicingsystem.org>

Click on the link "[Testing \(Professional Requirements\)](#)"

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Prometric Testing Center
35 Pinelawn Rd., Suite 108
Melville, NY 11747
631.845.9063

Nassau

Prometric Testing Center
865 Merrick Ave
Westbury, NY 11590
516.357.9292

Queens

Prometric Testing Center
95-25 Queens Blvd., 11th Floor
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Mid-Town Manhattan, NY 10017
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New York, NY 10036
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Q. Can I retake the exam if I fail to obtain a passing grade?

A. An individual must wait 30 days before retaking the exam. You may retake the exam three consecutive times, with each consecutive exam occurring at least thirty days after the preceding exam. If you fail three consecutive exams, you must wait at least six months before taking the exam again.

Q. Can I bring a calculator and/or scrap paper into the exam center?

A. The exam center will provide scrap paper and a basic calculator.

Q. Are we allowed to take restroom breaks during the exam?

A. Yes, restroom breaks are permitted. However, the test clock will not stop while you are taking a break, as a result, your test time will be shortened.

Q. What will be covered on the MLO exam?

A. Please consult the NMLS website www.stateregulatoryregistry.org/nmls. Outlines of the exam components are posted under **Test Availability Schedule and Content Outline**.

Q. Why are there un-scored questions on the exam?

A. The ten pre-test (un-scored) questions appearing on the National Component and each State Specific component do not affect the candidate's score or the pass/fail result. These pre-test questions are being pilot tested for future use. Once these pre-test questions are tested on a sufficiently large sample of candidates, these questions will be reviewed to determine if they meet appropriate test standards to be considered for use as scored test questions on future NMLS tests.

Q. What should I bring with me to the exam center?

A. You must bring one form of a current (non-expired) government-issued identification that includes your photograph and signature. We suggest your photo ID / state drivers license.

Q. What am I allowed to bring into the exam center?

A. No personal items are permitted to be brought into the exam center. This includes but is not limited to: cell phones, pagers, purses, wallets, coats, hats, food, drink etc. all of these items must be locked in a secure locker upon arrival.

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