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# MONTANA BOARD OF REALTY REGULATION LICENSE EXAMINATIONS CANDIDATE INFORMATION BULLETIN

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#### **EXAMINATIONS BY PSI SERVICES LLC**

This Candidate Information Bulletin provides you with information about the examination process for becoming licensed as a Real Estate Salesperson, Broker or Property Manager in the State of Montana.

The Montana Board of Realty Regulation has contracted with PSI Services LLC (PSI) to conduct the examination program. PSI works closely with the Board to make certain that these examinations meet the State's as well as nationally established technical and professional standards for examination development and administration. PSI provides these examinations through a network of computer examination centers in Montana and various locations throughout the United States.

For specific information about licensing procedures, contact the Montana Board of Realty Regulation at the following address:

> Montana Board of Realty Regulation 301 South Park, 4th Floor P.O. Box 200513 Helena, MT 59620-0513 Phone: 406-841-2300 Website: realestate.mt.gov

#### EXAMINATION FEES AND SCHEDULING PROCEDURES

EXAMINATION FEE

\$106

The examination fee is \$106 regardless if you are taking one portion or both portions.

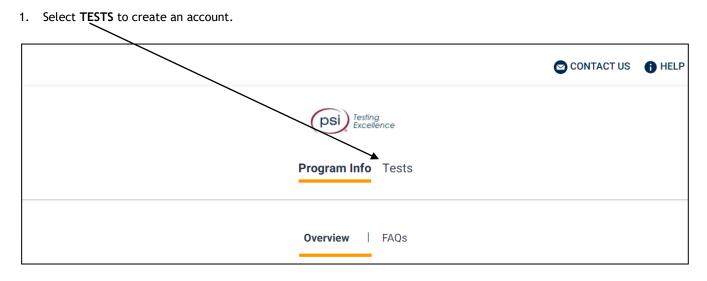
NOTE: EXAMINATION FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE OR TRANSFERABLE. THE EXAMINATION FEE IS VALID FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF PAYMENT.

To be eligible to apply for a salesperson or broker license in Montana, you must pass both the National and State portions of the examination.



#### ONLINE (https://test-takers.psiexams.com/mtre)

For the fastest and most convenient examination scheduling process, register for your examinations online by accessing PSI's registration Website: <u>Click Here</u> or on the email confirmation you received from PSI.



2. Select the examination and you are ready to create an account. Select LOGIN/REGISTER.

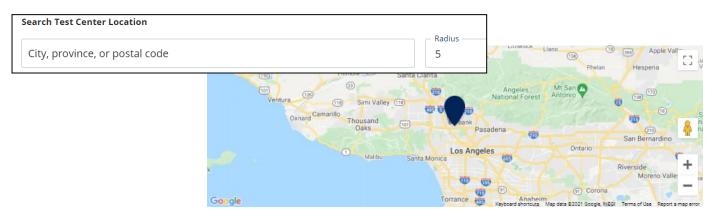
To continue the booking process and schedule your test, you must login or create an account.	R
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3. You will be prompted to CREATE AN ACCOUNT with PSI.

The first and last name must match exactly with your current, valid, government-issued ID.

ID*	
First Name *	Last Name *
Middle Name	Generation
Email *	
Password *	Your password must contain: • At least one capital letter A-Z
	<ul><li>At least one lower case letter a-z</li><li>At least one number 0-9</li></ul>
Confirm Password *	<ul> <li>At least one special character !@#V\$%V^&amp;V*</li> <li>At least 8 and up to 32 characters</li> </ul>

# 4. Enter the "City or Postal Code" and select FIND.



5. Select a date and time to book an appointment.

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(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	
(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	

6. You are now ready to pay.

Billing Address	Order Summary	
Address 1*	Commercial Contractor Practice Test	
	Mechanical Bus and Law	\$100.00 USD
Address 2	Total Price	
Address 3		CONTINU
City*		

7. Once payment has been made you will receive a message confirming the test center, booked date, and booked time.

Booking Confirmed!! 🖶 Print	Confirmation		
Email Address:	Home Phone:	Office Phone:	
asingla81@psionline.com	111224444	2221112345	



#### **TELEPHONE SCHEDULING**

Call (855) 898-0716, PSI registrars are available to receive payment and to schedule your appointment for the examination. To register by phone, you need a valid credit card (VISA, MasterCard, American Express or Discover.)

	Monday-Friday	Saturday-Sunday	
Eastern Time	8:00am - 8:00pm	9:00am - 5:30pm	
Central Time	7:00am - 7:00pm	8:00am - 4:30pm	
Mountain Time 6:00am - 6:00pm		7:00am - 3:30pm	
Pacific Time	5:00am - 5:00pm	6:00am - 2:30pm	

#### CANCELING AN EXAMINATION APPOINTMENT

You may cancel and reschedule an examination appointment without forfeiting your fee if your cancellation notice is received a minimum of 2 calendar days before the scheduled examination date. For example, for a Monday appointment, the cancellation notice would need to be received on the previous Saturday. You may reschedule online at https://test-takers.psiexams.com/mtre or call PSI at (855) 898-0716.

Note: A voice mail message is not an acceptable form of cancellation. Please use the PSI Website or call PSI and speak directly to a Customer Service Representative.

#### **MISSED APPOINTMENT OR LATE CANCELLATION**

Your registration will be invalid, you will not be able to take the examination as scheduled, and you will forfeit your examination fee, if you:

#### **EXAMINATION SITE LOCATIONS**

- Do not cancel your appointment 2 calendar days before the schedule examination date;
- Do not appear for your examination appointment;
- Arrive after examination start time;
- Do not present proper identification when you arrive for the examination. See page 5 for specific requirements.

#### **EXAMINATION ACCOMMODATIONS**

All PSI examination centers are equipped to provide access in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and exam accommodations will be made in meeting a candidate's needs. A candidate with a disability or a candidate who would otherwise have difficulty taking the examination should request for alternative arrangements by <u>Clicking Here</u>.

Candidates granted accommodation in accordance with the ADA, MUST schedule their examination by telephone and speak directly with a PSI registrar.

#### EXAMINATION SITE CLOSING FOR AN EMERGENCY

In the event that severe weather or another emergency forces the closure of an examination site on a scheduled examination date, your examination will be rescheduled. PSI personnel will attempt to contact you in this situation. However, you may check the status of your examination schedule by going to our website, https://test-takers.psiexams.com/mtre or by calling (855) 898-0716. Every effort will be made to reschedule your examination at a convenient time as soon as possible.

<b>Billings - Rocky Mountain College</b>	Billings - Summers McNea CPAs (HRB)
2821 Augusta Lane, Aviation Hall, Room 102	15 Avanta Way, Suite 1
Billings, MT 59102	Billings, MT 59102
<b>Butte - Sylvan Learning Center</b> 1941 Harrison Butte, MT 59701	<b>Great Falls - Holman Aviation Co</b> 1940 Airport Ct Great Falls International Great Falls, MT 59404
Kalispell - Red Eagle Aviation Inc.	Missoula - The University of Montana
1880 Hwy 93 S.	Testing Services
Kalispell City Airport	Mansfield Library 115
Kalispell, MT 59901	Missoula, MT 59812
<b>Missoula - Northstar Jet Inc</b> 4045 Corporate Way Missoula, MT 59808	

Additionally, PSI has examination centers in many other regions across the United States. You may take this examination at any of these locations. Once you have paid for the examination, enter your zip code and a list of the testing sites closest to you will appear.



#### **REPORTING TO THE EXAMINATION SITE**

On the day of the examination, you should arrive at least 30 minutes before your appointment time. This extra time is for sign-in, identification, and familiarizing you with the examination process. If you arrive late, you will not be admitted to the examination site and you will forfeit your examination registration fee.

Your photo will be taken.

#### **REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION AT EXAMINATION SITE**

You must provide 1 form of identification. The identification must match the name you scheduled with.

NOTE: ID must contain candidate's signature, photo, be valid and unexpired.

- State issued driver's license
- State issued identification card
- US Government Issued Passport
- US Government Issued Military Identification Card (not allowed for remote testing)
- US Government Issued Alien Registration Card
- Canadian Government Issued ID

Failure to bring the proper documentation invalidates your registration. You will not be able to take the examination as scheduled, and you will forfeit your examination fee.

#### SECURITY PROCEDURES

The following security procedures will apply during the examination:

- An online calculator will be provided.
- Only non-programmable calculators that are silent, battery-operated, do not have paper tape printing capabilities, and do not have a keyboard containing the alphabet will be allowed in the examination site.
- A piece of scratch paper and a pencil will be provided to you at check-in. You will return this to the proctor at the end of the examination.
- Candidates may take only approved items into the examination room.
- All personal belongings of candidates, with the exception of close-fitting jackets or sweatshirts, should be placed in the secure storage provided at each site prior to entering the examination room. Personal belongings include, but are not limited to, the following items:
- Electronic devices of any type, including cellular / mobile phones, recording devices, electronic watches, cameras, pagers, laptop computers, tablet computers (e.g., iPads), music players (e.g., iPods), smart watches, radios, or electronic games.
- Bulky or loose clothing or coats that could be used to conceal recording devices or notes, including coats, shawls, hooded clothing, heavy jackets, or overcoats.
- Hats or headgear not worn for religious reasons or as religious apparel, including hats, baseball caps, or visors.
- Other personal items, including purses, notebooks, reference or reading material, briefcases, backpacks, wallets, pens, pencils, other writing devices, food, drinks, and good luck items.
- Person(s) accompanying an examination candidate may not wait in the examination center, inside the building or

on the building's property. This applies to guests of any nature, including drivers, children, friends, family, colleagues or instructors.

- No smoking, eating, or drinking is allowed in the examination center.
- During the check in process, all candidates will be asked if they possess any prohibited items. Candidates may also be asked to empty their pockets and turn them out for the proctor to ensure they are empty. The proctor may also ask candidates to lift up the ends of their sleeves and the bottoms of their pant legs to ensure that notes or recording devices are not being hidden there.
- Proctors will also carefully inspect eyeglass frames, tie tacks, or any other apparel that could be used to harbor a recording device. Proctors will ask to inspect any such items in candidates' pockets.
- If prohibited items are found during check-in, candidates shall put them in the provided secure storage or return these items to their vehicle. PSI will not be responsible for the security of any personal belongings or prohibited items.
- Any candidate possessing prohibited items in the examination room shall immediately have his or her test results invalidated, and PSI shall notify the examination sponsor of the occurrence.
- Any candidate seen giving or receiving assistance on an examination, found with unauthorized materials, or who violates any security regulations will be asked to surrender all examination materials and to leave the examination center. All such instances will be reported to the examination sponsor.
- Copying or communicating examination content is violation of a candidate's contract with PSI, and federal and state law. Either may result in the disqualification of examination results and may lead to legal action.
- Once candidates have been seated and the examination begins, they may leave the examination room only to use the restroom, and only after obtaining permission from the proctor. Candidate will not receive extra time to complete the examination.

# TAKING THE EXAMINATION

The examination will be administered via computer. You will be using a mouse and computer keyboard.

#### TUTORIAL

Before you start your examination, an introductory tutorial is provided on the computer screen. The time you spend on this tutorial, up to 15 minutes, DOES NOT count as part of your examination time. Sample questions are included following the tutorial so that you may practice answering questions and reviewing your answers.

#### **TEST QUESTION SCREEN**

One question appears on the screen at a time. During the examination, minutes remaining will be displayed at the top of the screen and updated as you record your answers.

IMPORTANT: After you have entered your responses, you will later be able to return to any question(s) and change your response, provided the examination time has not run out.



#### **EXAMINATION REVIEW**

PSI, in cooperation with The Montana Board of Realty Regulation, will be consistently evaluating the examinations being administered to ensure that the examinations accurately measure competency in the required knowledge areas. Comments may be entered by clicking the Comments link on the function bar of the test question screen. Your comments regarding the questions and the examinations are welcomed.

Comments will be analyzed by PSI examination development staff. While PSI does not respond to individuals regarding these comments, all substantive comments are reviewed. If an error affecting examination scores is discovered as a result, which occurs very rarely, the examination scores of all affected candidates will be automatically adjusted. This is the only review of the examination available to candidates.

#### Now you can take the practice exam online at https://testtakers.psiexams.com/mtre to prepare for your Real Estate Examination.

Please note that practice exams are intended only to help testing candidates become familiar with the general types of questions that will appear on a licensing examination. They ARE NOT a substitute for proper education and study. Furthermore, scoring well on the practice exam does not guarantee a positive outcome on an actual licensing examination.

Note: You may take the practice exams an unlimited number of times; however, you will need to pay each time.

# SCORE REPORTING

Your score will be given to you immediately following completion of the examination. You may request a duplicate score report after your examination by emailing scorereport@psionline.com.

#### EXAMINATION STUDY MATERIALS

The following is a list of possible study materials for the real estate examinations. The list is given to identify resources and does not constitute an endorsement by PSI or by the Board. Use the latest edition available.

#### NATIONAL PORTION OF THE EXAMINATION

- Modern *Real Estate* Practice, 21<sup>st</sup> Edition, Galaty, Allaway, Kyle, and Williams, Dearborn Real Estate Education, <u>www.dearborn.com</u>, ISBN: 978-1-0788-1887-2
- Mastering *Real Estate* Math, 9th Edition, 2022, Denise Evans <u>www.dearborn.com</u> ISBN: 9781078819008
- The Language of Real Estate, 8th Edition, 2019, Reilly and Spodek, Dearborn Real Estate Education, <u>www.dearborn.com</u>
- Property Management, 11th edition, 2016, Kyle, Robert
   C., Baird, Floyd M. and Kyle, C. Donald, Chicago: Dearborn Real Estate Education www.dearborn.com
- Real Estate Law, 11th Edition, 2022, Elliot Klayman, Dearborn Real Estate Education www.dearborn.com
- Real Estate Fundamentals, 10th Edition, 2019, Gaddy, Hart, Spodek, Dearborn Real Estate Education,www.dearborn.com



- Real Estate Principles, 12th Ed, 2021, Floyd and Allen, Dearborn Real Estate ducation, www.dearborn.com
- Mastering Real Estate Principles, 8th Edition, 2022, Gerald Cortesi
- Real Estate Principles & Practices, 9th Edition, 2014, Arlyne Geschwender, OnCourse Publishing, N19W24075 Riverwood Drive, Suite 200, Waukesha, WI 53188, 855-733-7239, www.oncoursepublishing.com ISBN 0324784554 Principles of Real Estate Practice, 6th edition, 2019, Mettling, Stephen and Cusic, David, Performance Programs Company, www.performanceprogramscompnay.com

## **EXAMINATION CONTENT OUTLINES**

#### EXAMINATION SUMMARY TABLE

Examination	Portion	# of Scored Items (points)	Time Allowed	Passing Score
	National	80 items (80 points)	120 Minutes	56 points
Calana	State	33 items (33 points)	90 Minutes	23 points
Salesperson	Combo (both portions)	113 items (113 points)	210 Minutes	79 points
	National	75 items (80 points)	120 Minutes	60 points
Duch cot	State	40 items (40 points)	90 Minutes	30 points
Broker*	Combo (both portions)	115 items (120 points)	210 Minutes	90 points
Property Manager		70 items (70 points)	120 Minutes	56 points

\*Note: National broker exams include questions that are scored up to two points.

## **EXPERIMENTAL QUESTIONS**

A small number of "experimental" questions (i.e., 5 to 10) may be administered to candidates during the examinations. These questions will not be scored, and the time taken to answer them will not count against testing time. The administration of such unscored, experimental questions is an essential step in developing future licensing exams.

#### **CONTENT OUTLINES**

Use the outline as a guide for pre-examination review course material. The outlines list the topics that are on the examination and the number of questions for each topic. Do not schedule your examination until you are familiar with the topics in the outline.



# GENERAL PORTION CONTENT OUTLINE FOR SALESPERSONS AND BROKERS

#### I. Property Ownership (Sales 10%, Broker 10%)

A. Real and personal property; conveyances

## B. Land characteristics and legal descriptions

- 1. Metes and bounds method of legal property description
- 2. Lot and block (recorded plat) method of legal property description
- 3. Government survey (rectangular survey) method of legal property description
- 4. Measuring structures (linear and square footage)
- 5. Land measurement

#### C. Encumbrances and effects on property ownership

- 1. Types of liens and their effect on the title and value of real property
- 2. Easements, rights of way and licenses, including their effect on the title, value and use of real property
- 3. Encroachments and their effect on the title, value and use of real property
- 4. Potential encumbrances on title, such as probate, leases, or adverse possession
- 5. Property rights that may be conveyed separately from use of the land surface, such as mineral and other subsurface rights, air rights, or water rights

## D. Types of ownership

- 1. Ownership in severalty/sole ownership
- 2. Implications of ownership as tenants in common
- 3. Implications of ownership in joint tenancy
- 4. Forms of common-interest ownership, such as Timeshares, Condominiums and Co-ops
- 5. Property ownership held in a trust or by an estate
- 6. Ownership by business entities
- 7. Life Estate ownership

## II. Land use Controls (Sales 5%, Broker 5%)

## A. Government rights in land

- 1. Government rights to impose property taxes and special assessments
- 2. Government rights to acquire land through eminent domain, condemnation and escheat

## B. Government controls on land use

## C. Private controls

- 1. Deed conditions or restrictions on property use
- 2. Subdivision covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&Rs) on property use
- 3. Condominium and owners' associations regulations or bylaws on property use

## Valuation (Sales 8%, Broker 8%)

## A. Appraisals

- 1. Appraisals for valuation of real property
- 2. Situations which require appraisal by a licensed or certified appraiser and brokerage-related actions that constitute unauthorized appraisal practice
- 3. General steps in appraisal process

- B. Estimating Value
  - 1. Economic principles and property characteristics that affect value of real property
  - 2. Sales or market comparison approach to property valuation and appropriate uses
  - 3. Cost approach to property valuation and appropriate uses
  - 4. Income analysis approach to property valuation and appropriate uses

## C. Comparative Market Analysis (CMA)

- 1. Competitive/Comparative Market Analysis (CMA), BPO or equivalent
- Automated Valuation Method (AVM), appraisal valuation and Comparative Market Analysis (CMA)
   Financing (Sales 10%, Broker 9%)

# A. Basic Concepts and Terminology

- 1. Loan financing (for example, points, LTV, PMI, interest, PITI)
- 2. General underwriting process (e.g., debt ratios, credit scoring and history)
- 3. Standard mortgage/deed of trust clauses and conditions
- 4. Essential elements of a promissory note

#### B. Types of Loans

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- 1. Conventional loans
- 2. Amortized loans, partially amortized (balloon) loans, interest-only loans
- 3. Adjustable-rate mortgage (ARM) loans
- 4. Government Loans
  - a. FHA insured loans
  - b. VA guaranteed loans
  - c. USDA/Rural Development loan programs
- 5. Owner financing (for example, installment or land contract/contract for deed)
- 6. Reverse-mortgage loans
- 7. Home equity loans and lines of credit
- 8. Construction loans
- 9. Rehab loans
- 10. Bridge loans
- C. Financing and Lending
  - 1. Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), including kickbacks
  - 2. Truth-in-Lending Act (Regulation Z), including advertising
  - 3. Requirements and time frames of TRID (TILA-RESPA Integrated Disclosures)
  - 4. Equal Credit Opportunity Act
  - 5. Lending Process (application through loan closing)
  - 6. Risky loan features, such as prepayment penalties and balloon payments
- V. Contracts (Sales 19%, Broker 19%)

## A. General Contract Law

- 1. General principles of contract law
- 2. Elements necessary for a contract to be valid
- 3. Effect of the Statute of Frauds
- 4. Offer and a contract

III.

- 5. Enforceability of contracts
- 6. Void, voidable and unenforceable contracts
- 7. Bilateral and unilateral contracts
- 8. Nature and use of option agreements
- 9. Notice, delivery, acceptance and execution of contracts
- 10. Appropriate use, risks, and advantages of electronic signatures and paperless transactions
- 11. Rights and obligations of the parties to a contract
- 12. Possible remedies for breach or non-performance of contract
- 13. Termination, rescission and cancellation of contracts

# B. Purchase and Lease Contracts

- 1. Addenda and amendments to contracts
- 2. Purchase agreements
- 3. Contract contingencies and methods for satisfying them
- 4. Leases and rental agreements
- 5. Lease-purchase agreements
- 6. Types of leases
- C. Proper handling of multiple offers and counteroffers

# VI. Agency (Sales 13%, Broker 13%)

- A. Agency and non-agency relationships
  - 1. Agency relationships and how they are established
  - 2. Types of listing contracts
  - 3. Buyer brokerage/tenant representation contracts
  - 4. Other brokerage relationships, including transaction brokers and facilitators
  - 5. Powers of attorney and other assignments of authority
  - 6. Conditions for termination of agency or brokerage service agreements

# B. Agent Duties

- 1. Fiduciary duties of agents
- 2. Agent's duties to customers/non-clients, including honesty and good faith

# C. Agency Disclosures

- 1. Disclosure of agency/representation
- 2. Disclosure of possible conflict of interest or selfinterest

# Property Disclosures (Sales 7%, Broker 7%)

# A. Property Condition

- 1. Seller's property condition disclosure requirements
- 2. Property conditions that may warrant inspections or a survey
- 3. Red flags that warrant investigation of public or private land use controls
- B. Environmental and Government Disclosures
  - 1. Environmental issues requiring disclosure
  - 2. Federal, state, or local disclosure requirements regarding the property
- C. Disclosure of material facts and material defects

## VIII. Property Management (Sales 3%, Broker 5%)

A. Duties and Responsibilities

- 1. Procurement and qualification of prospective tenants
- 2. Fair housing and ADA compliance specific to property management
- 3. How to complete a market analysis to identify factors in setting rents or lease rates
- 4. Property manager responsibility for maintenance, improvements, reporting and risk management (BROKER ONLY)
- 5. Handling landlord and tenant funds; trust accounts, reports and disbursements (*BROKER ONLY*)
- 6. Provisions of property management contracts (BROKER ONLY)
- B. Landlord and tenant rights and obligations

# IX. Transfer of Title (Sales 6%, Broker 6%)

A. Types of deeds

# B. Title Insurance and Searches

- 1. Title insurance policies and title searches
- 2. Potential title problems and resolutions
- 3. Marketable and insurable title

# C. Closing Process

- 1. When transfer of ownership becomes effective
- 2. Process and importance of recordation
- 3. Settlement procedures (closing) and parties involved
- 4. Home and new construction warranties

# D. Special Processes

- 1. Special issues in transferring foreclosed properties
- 2. Special issues in short sale transactions
- 3. Special issues in probate transactions

# X. Practice of Real Estate (Sales 12%, Broker 12%)

## A. Antidiscrimination

- 1. Federal Fair Housing Act general principles and exemptions
- 2. Protected classes under Federal Fair Housing Act
- 3. Protections against discrimination based on gender identity and sexual orientation
- Prohibited conduct under Federal Fair Housing Act (Redlining, Blockbusting, Steering, Disparate Treatment)
- 5. Fair housing advertising rules
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) obligations pertaining to accessibility and reasonable accommodations

## B. Legislation and Regulations

- 1. Licensees' status as employees or independent contractors
- 2. Antitrust laws and types of violations, fines and penalties
- 3. Do-Not-Call List rule compliance
- 4. Proper use of Social Media and Internet communication and advertising

## C. Duties and Responsibilities

- 1. Protection of confidential personal information (written, verbal or electronic)
- 2. Duties when handling funds of others in transactions
- 3. Licensee responsibility for due diligence in real estate transactions



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#### D. Supervisory Responsibilities (BROKER ONLY)

- Broker's supervisory responsibilities (licensees, teams and unlicensed assistants and employees) (BROKER ONLY)
- 2. Broker relationship with licensees (employees or independent contractors and governing rules) (BROKER ONLY)

#### XI. Real Estate Calculations (Sales 7%, Broker 6%)

#### A. Calculations for Transactions

- 1. Seller's net proceeds
- 2. Buyer funds needed at closing
- 3. Real property tax and other prorations
- 4. Real property transfer fees
- 5. PITI (Principal, Interest, Taxes and Insurance) payments estimate given loan rate and term
- B. General Concepts
  - 1. Equity
  - 2. Rate of return/Capitalization rate
  - 3. Loan-to-Value ratio
  - 4. Discount points and loan origination fees

# STATE PORTION CONTENT OUTLINE FOR SALESPERSONS AND BROKERS

- I. The Real Estate Licensing Agency's Powers (Salesperson 2 Items; Broker 2)
  - À. Investigations, Hearings and Appeals
  - B. Sanctions
    - a) Disciplinary Actions
    - b) Penalties
  - C. Examination of Records
- II. Licensing (Salesperson 2 Items; Broker 2)
  - A. Activities Requiring a License
  - B. License Renewal
  - C. Change in License

# III. Requirements Governing the Activities of Licensees (Salesperson 25 Items; 26 Items)

- A. Advertising
- B. Broker/Salesperson Relationship
- C. Compensation
- D. Disclosure
  - a) Conflict of Interest
  - b) Property Disclosure
  - c) Agency Disclosure
- E. Handling of Documents
- F. Handling of Monies
- G. Listings
- H. Illegal Inducements/Ethics
- IV. Additional Topics (Salesperson 4 Items; Broker 4 Items)
  - A. Recovery/Surety Fund
  - B. Land Description
  - C. Common Interest Ownership/Condominium
  - D. Landlord/Tenant Relationship
  - E. Foreclosure and Redemption
  - F. Statue of Frauds

- V. Additional Broker Topics (Broker Only 6 Items)
  - A. Trust Accounts
  - B. Supervision
  - C. Place of Business
  - D. Recordkeeping
  - E. Closing Statements

# CONTENT OUTLINE FOR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

#### Category

- 1. Americans With Disabilities Act (2 Items)
- 2. Business (11 Items)
- 3. Contracts (4 Items)
- 4. Fair Housing (7 Items)
- 5. Landlord Tenant Law (20 Items)
- 6. Lead Based Paint (2 Items)
- 7. Leasing Principles (4 Items)
- 8. Calculations (8 Items)
- 9. State Licensing Law (8 Items)
- 10. Trust Account (4 Items)

#### SAMPLE QUESTIONS

The following questions are offered as examples of the types of questions you will be asked during the course of the Montana National real estate salesperson and broker examinations. They are intended primarily to familiarize you with the style and format of questions you can expect to find in the examinations. The examples do NOT represent the full range of content or difficulty levels found in the actual examinations.

#### SAMPLE SALESPERSON QUESTIONS

- A. Which of the following interests in property is held by a person who is granted a lifetime use of a property that will be transferred to a third party upon the death of the lifetime user?
  - 1. A life estate.
  - 2. A remainder estate.
  - 3. An estate for years.
  - 4. A reversionary estate.
- B. Which of the following statements BEST identifies the meaning of the term, "rescission of a contract"?
  - 1. A ratification of a contract by all parties.
  - 2. A return of all parties to their condition before the contract was executed.
  - 3. A transfer or assignment of a particular responsibility from one of the parties to another.
  - 4. A review of the contract by the legal counsel of either party that may result in a cancellation without penalty or further obligation.
- C. Which of the following clauses in a mortgage allows the lender to demand loan repayment if a borrower sells the property?
  - 1. Defeasance
  - 2. Prepayment
  - 3. Acceleration
  - 4. Alienation

- D. How much cash MUST a buyer furnish in addition to a \$2,500 deposit if the lending institution grants a 90% loan on an \$80,000 property?
  - 1. \$5,500.
  - 2. \$6,975.
  - 3. \$7,450.
  - 4. None of the above.
- E. Which of the following single-family residences would get the MOST accurate appraisal by applying the reproduction cost approach to value?
  - 1. A rental property.
  - 2. A vacant property.
  - 3. A new property.
  - 4. An historic property.

Answers to Sample Salesperson Questions: A: 1; B: 2; C: 4; D: 1; E: 4

## SAMPLE BROKER QUESTIONS (SCENARIO-BASED)

#### Scenario:

You are hosting an open house. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin come into the house. You greet them and show them the house. The Martins tell you the house is exactly what they are looking for and they are very interested in purchasing it. You then give them information showing the various types of financing available with down payment options and projected payments.

Mr. Martin tells you they have been working with Mary Hempstead of XX Realty, a competing real estate company. Before leaving, you thank them for coming and give them your business card.

- A. The first thing on Monday morning, Mrs. Martin calls and indicates they have tried to reach Mary and cannot. They indicate they have a written buyer's agent agreement with Mary's broker. They are afraid someone else is going to buy the house. Which of the following should you do? Select the best answer.
  - 1. Seek advice from your supervising broker.
  - 2. Tell them to come to your office.
  - 3. Ask them to bring the buyer's agency agreement to you for your interpretation.
  - 4. Tell them to be patient and continue trying to reach Mary.
  - 5. Tell them to call Mary's supervising broker or branch manager.
  - 6. Tell them you are really sorry, but there is nothing you can do.
- B. The Martins come to your office and explain that neither Mary nor her supervising broker are available. They insist you immediately write an offer for the house. How should you proceed? Select the best answer.
  - 1. Write the offer after entering into a buyer's broker agreement with them.
  - 2. Write the offer after explaining they may owe Mary's broker a commission.

- 3. Write the offer after trying to contact Mary's broker yourself.
- 4. Refuse to write an offer and explain that doing so would be unethical.
- 5. Refuse to write and offer since it would be illegal.
- 6. Refuse to write the offer and tell the Martins to contact another Salesperson in Mary's office.

# Answers (Points) to Sample Broker Questions:

- A. 1 (2 points), 2 (1 point), 3 (0 point), 4 (0 point), 5 (1 point) , 6 (0 point);
- B. 1 (1 point), 2 (2 points), 3 (1 point), 4 (0 point), 5 (0 point), 6 (0 point);

## IF YOU PASS THE EXAMINATION

You are responsible for submitting your completed application and appropriate fees to the Montana Board of Realty Regulation. You can download a license application or apply online from the Board of Realty Regulation website at realestate.mt.gov or contact the board office. Examination results are only valid for one year from the passing examination date per rule 24.210.611 (3).



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