



# **Arizona State Board of Physical Therapy**

## **AZLAW Jurisprudence Exam Handbook**

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## Security Information

Passing the Arizona Jurisprudence Examination (AZLAW) is required in order to receive your license to practice as a physical therapist, or your certification to work as a physical therapist assistant. The Arizona Board of Physical Therapy (Board) requires ALL applicants for licensure and certification to pass the Jurisprudence Examination in order to demonstrate minimal understanding of the statutes and administrative code that governs the practice of physical therapy in Arizona. Requiring a passing score on the Jurisprudence Examination is one assurance that anyone granted physical therapist licensure or physical therapist assistant certification in Arizona possesses the necessary knowledge to treat patients with skill and safety.

Understandably, you will want to take advantage of all available resources when preparing for this important examination. While a student, you may have considered fellow students to be good resources for learning about questions that were on examinations. However, according to Arizona Revised Statute §32-2024(E), **it is illegal and unethical to recall (memorize) and share questions that are on the examination or to solicit questions that are on the Jurisprudence Examination from other applicants who have taken the exam.**

### **What Do You Mean by “It’s Illegal to Recall Questions”?**

Each candidate who sits for the Jurisprudence Exam must accept the Security Agreement. The Security Agreement states that the exam and items contained therein are owned by the Arizona Board of Physical Therapy and the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy and protected by Federal Copyright Law.

It also informs applicants that no part of the examination may be copied or reproduced in part or whole by any means whatsoever, including memorization.

Recalling questions from the examination and sharing them with anyone else violates both the Federal Copyright Law and the FSBPT Security Agreement that applicants must accept before taking the Arizona Jurisprudence Examination.

### **ITEMS FROM THE EXAM ARE NOT TO BE RECALLED FOR ANY PURPOSE.**

#### **Why is it Unethical to Ask Someone Else for Recalled Questions?**

Soliciting recalled questions from applicants who have previously taken the examination is unethical for several reasons. The primary reason is obvious; you are expected to pass the test based on your own merit without assistance. The members of the public who will entrust you with their well-being expect that you are a trustworthy and competent individual.

You are encouraging applicants to commit illegal acts if you are soliciting questions from previous test takers who have accepted the FSBPT Security Agreement.

### **ITEMS FROM THE EXAM ARE NOT TO BE SOLICITED FOR ANY PURPOSE.**

#### **What Happens If I Do Share or Solicit Recalled Questions?**

- The Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy will continue to actively prosecute individuals who violate the security agreement.
- The Federation will also report any incidents of applicants requesting questions or sharing questions to the Arizona Board of Physical Therapy.
- Applicants who are prosecuted by the Federation or who are reported to the Arizona Board of Physical Therapy for soliciting or sharing questions will severely damage their chances of being licensed pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2024(F).

**Protect Your Reputation and Your Career!**

# The Examination

## **Special Accommodations**

You must upload appropriate documentation of your request for special accommodations to your online license/certificate application. Only those applicants who have been granted approval from the Board will receive special accommodations during testing. For further information about requesting special accommodations, visit the Board's website at [ptboard.az.gov](http://ptboard.az.gov).

## **Examination Fee, Method of Payment and Registration**

Applicants must submit a completed application and be approved before they can take the Jurisprudence Examination. Testing eligibility is granted ONLY after completed (including 3rd party documents), paid for, and reviewed application is deemed sufficient. Application deficiencies and required corrective actions are reported to applicant during the review process. In order to avoid delays, applicants should register for the AZLAW exam through the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) at [fsbpt.org](http://fsbpt.org).

**Fees for the Jurisprudence Exam are outlined below.** AZLAW and Prometric fee are in addition to the application fee submitted to the Arizona Board of Physical Therapy, and any other fees charged by FSBPT (for NPTE, score transfers, etc). Payment below is as follows:

- \$65 AZLAW Jurisprudence Examination fee payable on-line to the FSBPT. Visit [fsbpt.org](http://fsbpt.org) for additional details.
- \$29.50 Testing fee payable online to Prometric when scheduling. Visit <https://www.prometric.com/fsbpt> for additional details. Prometric fees are NOT payable at the testing center.

## **Scheduling the Examination**

1. You will be required to register on-line with the FSBPT for the AZLAW Jurisprudence Examination at [fsbpt.org](http://fsbpt.org). It is recommended that you register and pay for the AZLAW at the same time you submit your completed application to the Arizona Board of Physical Therapy.
2. Once the Board of Physical Therapy has approved you to sit for the examination, they will approve your eligibility by notifying the FSBPT.
3. FSBPT will send you an "Authorization to Test" (ATT) letter containing instructions on how to schedule an appointment with Prometric Testing Center.
4. Questions regarding registration processing may be directed to [examregistration@fsbpt.org](mailto:examregistration@fsbpt.org)
5. After receiving your ATT letter, schedule a testing appointment with Prometric at <https://www.prometric.com/fsbpt>. Carefully review all details provided in your ATT letter and those provided on the Prometric website.
6. Sit for the examination at your chosen Prometric Testing site. You must sit for the examination within your 60-day eligibility period as indicated on the ATT letter provided by FSBPT. If you do not sit for the examination, or withdraw your registration, within these 60 days, you will be removed from the eligibility list and will be required to begin the registration process again.

## **Content Overview**

The Jurisprudence Examination consists of fifty (50) multiple-choice questions, 40 of which are scored and 10 that are pre-test questions that are not scored. Applicants are given one hour (60 minutes) with which to complete the computer-based test.

Applicants are NOT allowed to bring any reference materials, including the Arizona Revised Statutes and the Arizona Administrative Code, into the examination room. The Jurisprudence Examination will cover:

- Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §32-2001 et seq.
- Arizona Administrative Code Title 4, Chapter 24, Articles 1 through 5

AZLAW study materials are available on the Board's website at [ptboard.az.gov](http://ptboard.az.gov)

The AZLAW Jurisprudence Examination Content Outline is attached as Appendix A.

## **Sample Questions**

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. *A physical therapist assistant working under the supervision of a physical therapist can supervise the maximum number of assistive personnel?*

1. 0
2. 1
3. 2
4. 3

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. *When is a physical therapist exempt from being licensed to practice as a physical therapist in the State of Arizona?*

1. *While awaiting the national physical therapy examination scores.*
2. *While traveling in Arizona with a sports team for 60 days.*
3. *While licensed in another jurisdiction under restrictions*
4. *While serving on the Arizona Physical Therapy Association Board.*

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. *A physical therapist assistant has moved from Tucson to Tempe. The physical therapist needs to notify which organization/agency of the address change?*

1. *Arizona Department of Economic Security*
2. *Arizona Physical Therapy Association*
3. *Arizona Board of Physical Therapy*
4. *Arizona Department of Administration*

Correct Answers: (1.) 1; (2.) 2; (3.) 3

## **Pre-test Items**

The examination will contain 10 “pre-test” questions. The purpose of including pre-test questions on the examination is to expand and improve the bank of questions from which future examinations will be drawn. This is a common practice used by many national and state examination programs and is a critical step in ensuring the continued reliability and validity of an examination. Pre-test questions are **NOT** identified so that they won’t be skipped by the candidate thereby rendering the results invalid. The development of a valid examination requires accurate candidate response information for the pre-test questions.

## **Scoring Information and Notification**

### **Passing Grade and Results**

After the administration of the examination, your examination will be scored by the FSBPT. The results will then be transmitted to the Arizona Board of Physical Therapy. You may access your exam score by logging into your FSBPT account. A scaled score of 600 is required in order to pass the examination.

### **Re-Examination Information**

An applicant who fails to achieve the required passing score on the AZLAW Jurisprudence Examination must register for a subsequent attempt through [fsbpt.org](http://fsbpt.org) and pay required fees. After registering and paying for your AZLAW re-take, email the Arizona Board of Physical Therapy to request exam eligibility.

### **Test Taking Advice**

The advice offered here is presented primarily to help you demonstrate your knowledge and maximize your chances of passing the examination.

- Read all instructions carefully.
- Before selecting the correct answer, read all options carefully.
- Answer all questions; do not omit an answer for any test question.
- For best results, pace yourself by periodically checking your progress and the time. This will allow you to make any necessary adjustments. Remember, the more questions you answer, the better your chances of achieving a passing score, so answer for every question.
- Alert the examination supervisor of any problems that may occur during the examination. Do not wait until the examination is over to inform someone of a problem.
- Be sure to select an answer for each question, even the questions about which you are not completely sure. You can skip the questions you wish to reconsider and return to them later.

## **Admission to the Examination**

### **On Examination Day**

1. You must arrive 30 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment.
2. Be prepared to provide the following identification documents:
  - a. A current, valid, government-issued photo ID (passport, driver’s license, etc.) with matching pre-printed name and signature. An expired ID is not an acceptable form of identification.

- b. Second ID with matching pre-printed name and signature (i.e. credit/debit card).

NOTE: A Social Security card is not an acceptable form of identification.

3. You will be fingerprinted, scanned with a metal detector wand, and have your picture taken at the testing center.
4. Your exam session will be recorded for security and quality assurance purposes

**Review Prometric’s Testing Center Regulations and view a video outlining “What to Expect” on test day on Prometric’s website <https://www.prometric.com/fsbpt>**

Your first and last name on both forms of ID must **exactly** match the first and last name on your ATT letter issued by FSBPT. If your first and last names do not match **exactly**, contact FSBPT using the instructions provided in your ATT letter.

### **Your Belongings**

All of your personal belongings must be placed in your assigned locker. This includes (but is not limited to) the following:

- Jewelry
- Cell phones (turn off all electronic devices when storing them in your locker)
- Keys
- Jackets
- Hats
- Other items

You may only bring your ID documents, locker key, and a pair of foam earplugs in an unopened container to the check-in station.

### **Appropriate Attire**

Please dress comfortably but appropriately for the examination. The examination room is usually climate controlled. However, it is not always possible to maintain a temperature suitable to each candidate. It is suggested that you dress in layers that can be removed if you become uncomfortable. For security reasons, Prometric does not allow bulky jackets to be worn.

## **Administrative Policies**

### **Rules For The Examination**

1. No examination materials, documents, or memoranda of any kind are to be taken from an examination room.
2. Prior to the exam a tutorial is presented to explain the exam functionality and allow practice with the exam features. Time spent in the tutorial does not count against the overall exam time.
3. Alert Prometric staff immediately to disruptions occurring within the testing room or computer malfunctions while taking the examination.
4. You are permitted to sign out and leave the room for a break. However, the time remaining on your examination will continue to elapse. This means any time you spend on a break is time that you are electing not to spend on the examination. You will provide a fingerprint scan each time you enter or leave the testing room. Accessing study materials or electronic devices in your locker is strictly

prohibited.

5. Food or drink are prohibited in an examination room.

### **Change Of Address**

If you have a change of address it must first be updated through your eLicensing portal profile at [elicense.az.gov](https://elicense.az.gov). Then, you must email the AZ State Board of Physical Therapy to request your application be updated with your new address.

### **Who to Contact for Questions**

#### **Arizona State Board of Physical Therapy**

1740 West Adams Street, Suite 2450

Phoenix, AZ 85007

602-274-0236

<https://ptboard.az.gov/>

#### **Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy**

124 West Street South, Third Floor

Alexandria, VA 22314

Exam Services: (703) 299-3100 option 1

<https://www.fsbpt.org/>

#### **Prometric Testing Centers**

Registration: 1-800-796-9857

If Approved for Testing Accommodations schedule via 1-800-967-1139

<https://www.prometric.com/fsbpt> (to schedule your exam appointment or locate a test center)



## Appendix A - Content Outline

Category	Section	Arizona Revised Statutes	Arizona Administrative Code	Specs: % of Items (40 Item Test)
1000 Definitions	1100 Physical therapy; Practice of physical therapy	32-2001 (11), (13)	R4-24-101 (30)	17.5% (7 items)
	1200 Definition of physical therapist, physical therapist assistant, aides, assistive personnel	32-2001 (1), (9), (10), (12)		
	1300 Supervision	32-2001 (5) & (6)	R4-24-101 (27) & (32) R4-24-303 (C) – (G)	
2000 Board of Physical Therapy Powers & Duties	2100 Powers and Duties	32-2003		5% (2 items)
3000 Licensure & Examination	3100 Qualifications for licensure and application, including examination/re-examination	32-2022 32-2024	R4-24-101 (25) R4-24-201 R4-24-205 R4-24-207	30% (12 items)
	3200 Application for reinstatement; inactive status	32-2028 32-2031 32-2032	R4-24-202	
	3300 Foreign Educated Applicants; Supervised clinical practice; Facility approval for foreign educated clinical practice	32-2022 (B) & (C)	R4-24-101 (19) & (34) R4-24-203 R4-24-204	
	3400 Application/licensure by endorsement	32-2026	R4-24-101 (16) R4-24-201 (C)	
	3500 Interim/temporary permits	32-2001 (6) 32-2025		
	3600 Exemptions from licensure	32-2021		
	3700 Renewal; Name changes	32-2027	R4-24-208 R4-24-401	
	3800 Restricted license; Internship under restricted license	32-2001 (14), (15), (16)	R4-24-202 (C)	
	3900 Continuing competence		R4-24-401 R4-24-402 R4-24-403	

4000 Patient Care Management	4100 Lawful practice	32-2041	R4-24-301 R4-24-303	27.5% (12 items)
	4200 Use of titles	32-2042	R4-24-302	
	4300 Components of care; Standards of practice; Documentation/Medical records; Supervision	32-2043	R4-24-301 R4-24-303 R4-24-304 R4-24-313	
5000 Disciplinary Actions; Unlawful Practice; Ethical Conduct	5100 Grounds for disciplinary action	32-2023 32-2044		10% (4 items)
	5200 Disciplinary actions and procedures; Penalties	32-2023 32-2045 32-2046 32-2047 32-2052	R4-24-305 R4-24-306 R4-24-307 R4-24-308 R4-24-309	
	5300 Unlawful practice; Classification; Civil penalties; Injunctive relief; Disclosure prohibition	32-2048 32-2049		
6000 Consumer Advocacy	6100 Substance abuse recovery program	32-2050	R4-24-310	10% (3 items)
	6200 Rights of consumers	32-2051	R4-24-301	
	6300 Display of license	32-2051 (G)	R4-24-311	
	6400 Confidential information; Judicial review; Reporting violations; Immunity	32-2051 (H) & (I) 32-2052	R4-24-104 R4-24-312	

Arizona Revised Statutes – Chapter 19, sections 32-2001 through 32-2056 - <https://www.azleg.gov/arsDetail/?title=32>

Arizona Administrative Code - [https://apps.azsos.gov/public\\_services/Title\\_04/4-24.pdf](https://apps.azsos.gov/public_services/Title_04/4-24.pdf)