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Maui County courts will be closed Sept. 25 due to severe weather.

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The Supreme Court announced today that for those applicants sitting for the Hawaii bar examination scheduled to begin on September 9, 2020, the passing score will be temporarily modified to 133. This adjustment is one of several steps the court has taken in response to the impact of COVID-19.

The court also announced that all applicants will be subject to meeting applicable health screening criteria in order to enter exam rooms. Further instructions and the applicable criteria will be provided to applicants in the near future.

Any applicant who does not meet the criteria will be allowed to elect the option of deferring the taking of the exam to a future date and/or pursuing a provisional license as set forth in the court's [July 22, 2020 Order \(https://www.courts.state.hi.us/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/SCMF-12-0000538-.pdf\)](https://www.courts.state.hi.us/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/SCMF-12-0000538-.pdf).

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