



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
**BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS**

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The Washington state specific Land Surveyor's exam is now four (4) hours and is given twice a year. The exam contains forty (40) multiple choice questions over six subject areas as follows:

<b>Domain 1: Laws, Rules, and Regulations</b>	<b>19%</b>
Platting and Conveyance Laws	
Condominiums	
Road / Easements / Rights-of-way	
Case Law and Attorneys General Opinions	

<b>Domain 2: Public Land Survey System (PLSS)</b>	<b>18%</b>
Corner Identification	
Meander Lines	
GLO / BLM Notes and Plats	
Section Subdivision	
Indian Lands and Rights	
Special Types of Surveys	

<b>Domain 3: Land Descriptions</b>	<b>18%</b>
Metes and Bounds	
Aliquot Parts / Remainders	
Rights-of-Way / Strip Descriptions	
Platted Lots	
Structure of Legal Descriptions	

<b>Domain 4: Survey Practice</b>	<b>18%</b>
Unwritten Conveyances and Rights	
Topography / Vertical Control	
Boundary Line Agreements	
Error Analysis / Accuracy Standards	
Sources of Records Research	

<b>Domain 5: Water Boundaries</b>	<b>14%</b>
Freshwater Boundaries	
Tide Land Boundaries / Tide Elevations	
Navigability	
Avulsion / Accretion / Reliction / Erosion	

<b>Domain 6: Horizontal and Vertical Datums</b>	<b>13%</b>
State Plane Coordinate Zones	
Conversions	
Mapping Projections	