

ADMISSION AS A LAWYER EVENTS AND DEADLINES 2020

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**Legal Profession Admission
Board**
Of New South Wales

Simple admission applications (no disclosure, or a non-significant disclosure) – refer to **Table 1** below for simple application deadlines and corresponding ceremony dates.

Table 1

Admission ceremonies*	14 Feb	21 Feb (Newcastle)	27 Mar	15 May	10 Jul	14 Aug	11 Sep	9 Oct	13 Nov	11 Dec
Simple applications to be lodged by	10 Jan	10 Jan	24 Feb	9 Apr	5 Jun	13 Jul	7 Aug	4 Sep	12 Oct	6 Nov

Complex admission applications can only be determined at a meeting of the Board, i.e. applications:

- With a significant disclosure¹
- For conditional admission²
- Seeking dispensation from a requirement of the Uniform Admission Rules.

Refer to **Table 2** below for complex application deadlines and corresponding Board meeting dates.

Table 2

Admission Board meetings	25 Feb	7 Apr	2 Jun	4 Aug	29 Sep	24 Nov
Complex applications to be lodged by	14 Jan	25 Feb	21 Apr	23 Jun	18 Aug	13 Oct

***Booking a ceremony** (N.B. all bookings are subject to availability of seating in each ceremony)

Simple applications - you can book an admission ceremony after you have successfully lodged your hard copy documents. We recommend you do not incur travel or other expenses associated with attending a ceremony, until your application has been approved. If you make a ceremony booking and your application has not been approved by one week before the ceremony date, your booking will be automatically cancelled.

Complex applications - we recommend that you do not book a ceremony until your application has been approved by the Board.

¹ A significant disclosure is defined in the Guide for Applicants for Admission as a Lawyer at www.lpab.justice.nsw.gov.au. Applications with significant disclosures may be subject to delays if further information is required and may not be considered at the Admission Board meeting which corresponds to the Complex application deadline.

² The LPAB is required to consult with regulatory authorities in relation to conditional admission applications, which can take several weeks. Every effort will be made to ensure that applications for conditional admission are considered by the Board at the meeting which corresponds to the deadline by which the application is lodged, however the application is determined by the Board only after the consultation process is finalised.