

Eight-Week Illinois Real Estate Exam Study Plan

A lower-pressure schedule with cumulative review, weekly correction, and separate portion rehearsals

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Set a sustainable pace

Plan for about 5 to 8 focused hours each week after completing required pre-license education. Use at least three study contacts, including one cumulative block that retrieves material from earlier weeks.

Plan field	Your entry
Exam date and format	_____
Weekly study windows	_____
National baseline	_____ % from _____ unseen questions
Illinois baseline	_____ % from _____ unseen questions
Weekly hours	_____ hours

Use the 60 / 25 / 15 weekly split

Share	Purpose
60%	Current blueprint focus through retrieval, examples, and original practice
25%	Cumulative mixed review from every completed week
15%	Mistake diagnosis, corrected rules, distractor contrast, and delayed retest

The split is a starting structure. Repeated unseen misses can move time, but correction and cumulative review never disappear.

Weeks 1 to 4: foundations with cumulative return

Week	Current 60% focus	Cumulative 25%	Evidence before moving on
1	Exam blueprint and diagnostics. Property ownership, estates, co-ownership, encumbrances, legal descriptions, and land use controls.	Build the national and Illinois baseline logs.	Classify ownership and legal-description scenarios. Record separate portion scores and three priorities.
2	Contracts: validity, offers, counteroffers, contingencies, leases, performance, assignment, novation, breach, and remedies.	Retrieve Week 1 property distinctions in a mixed set.	Draw a contract-status map and solve new offer-to-closing sequences.
3	Agency: creation, duties, termination, designated agency, customer notice, dual consent, agreements, confidentiality, and compensation.	Mix Weeks 1 and 2 without notes.	Name client, customer, individual licensee, disclosure, consent, and timing in new scenarios.
4	Financing, valuation, and calculations: loans, LTV, points, PITI, appraisal, CMA, NOI, cap rate, GRM, commission, area, and prorations.	Mix ownership, contracts, and agency.	Closed-note formula retrieval plus a midpoint national and Illinois checkpoint.

Midpoint reset

☐ I compared Week 4 unseen results with the Week 1 baseline by portion and topic.

☐ I can explain recurring misses and pass a delayed retest.

☐ I moved Week 5 to 7 hours toward evidence without deleting cumulative review.

Weeks 5 to 8: Illinois depth and exam integration

Week	Current 60% focus	Cumulative 25%	Evidence before moving on
5	Practice of Real Estate and Illinois License Act: fair housing, antitrust, advertising, sponsorship, assistants, escrow, records, education, renewal, and discipline.	Mixed national Weeks 1 to 4 retrieval.	Apply actor, authority, prohibited act, timing, writing, and consequence to Illinois scenarios.
6	National and Illinois disclosures: physical facts, seller report, licensee duty, lead, radon, environmental issues, and inspection boundaries.	Mix Illinois licensing and practice with national foundations.	Build four independent disclosure tracks and explain why an exemption does not erase every duty.
7	Transfer of title, deeds, recording, closing, property management, additional Illinois laws, taxes, and the three weakest logged topics.	Long mixed set across all completed topics.	Produce a pacing report, deed-warranty comparison, closing sequence, and delayed weak-topic retests.
8	Separate timed national and Illinois rehearsals, final targeted repair, formula recall, and appointment logistics.	Full-outline retrieval only. No new low-value content chase.	Stable unseen scores with a buffer, controlled pacing, explainable misses, verified ID and appointment, and normal final stopping time.

Final readiness evidence

- [] National performance is stable above the current 70% minimum with a reasonable buffer.
- [] Illinois performance is stable above the current 75% minimum with a reasonable buffer.
- [] I can finish within 150 national minutes and 90 Illinois minutes.
- [] My ID, format, route or remote setup, calculator, scratch, and launch rules are verified.

Primary source

PSI Illinois Real Estate Candidate Information Bulletin, June 24, 2026: <https://test-takers.psiexams.com/api/content/bulletin/6251>. PSI may add 5 to 10 unscored experimental questions that still use time.