

Six-Week Illinois Real Estate Exam Study Plan

A spaced schedule for national coverage, Illinois law, mixed practice, correction, and timed rehearsal

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Set the weekly frame

Plan for about 6 to 10 focused hours each week after completing the required pre-license curriculum. Protect at least four study contacts per week so retrieval and correction are spaced rather than compressed into one long sitting.

Plan field	Your entry
Exam date and format	_____
Four or five weekly study windows	_____
National baseline	_____ % from _____ unseen questions
Illinois baseline	_____ % from _____ unseen questions
Weekly hours	_____ hours, including correction and retesting

Repeat this rhythm every week

Contact	Purpose
A	Retrieve prior rules, then learn the week's first focus.
B	Apply the second focus to short scenarios or calculations.
C	Mix national and Illinois questions without notes.
D	Repair misses, contrast distractors, and retest older errors.
E, if available	Run the weekly checkpoint and plan the next allocation.

Weeks 1 to 3: build and connect

Week	Blueprint focus	Applied work	Checkpoint
1	National property ownership and land use. Illinois licensing requirements, 75-hour education, exam and application clocks, sponsorship, and practice authority.	Classify property, estates, co-ownership, encumbrances, legal descriptions, and government powers. Build the Illinois license path from education to active sponsorship.	Separate baseline sets. Explain every guessed or missed answer and select three priority topics.
2	National Contracts and Agency. Illinois designated agency, no-agency notice, dual consent, written brokerage agreements, confidentiality, and compensation.	Map offer through closing or exit. Solve relationship scenarios by naming client, customer, individual licensee, writing, and timing.	Timed mixed set. Rebuild the contract and agency map without notes.
3	National Financing, Valuation, and Calculations. Illinois advertising, escrow, assistants, sponsor duties, CMA and BPO boundaries, and transfer tax.	Work LTV, points, PITI, prorations, NOI, cap rate, GRM, commission, area, and tax units with labels. Compare appraisal, CMA, and BPO.	Closed-note formula retrieval plus unseen math and Illinois-practice set.

End of Week 3 audit

- ☐ I can retrieve the major contract, agency, financing, valuation, and licensing distinctions without prompts.
- ☐ My calculation errors are tagged by base, unit, sequence, direction, or rounding.
- ☐ National and Illinois results are improving separately on unseen questions.
- ☐ I changed Weeks 4 and 5 priorities using the log, not intuition alone.

Weeks 4 to 6: integrate and rehearse

Week	Blueprint focus	Applied work	Checkpoint
4	Practice of Real Estate and Property Disclosures. Illinois Human Rights Act, advertising, antitrust, Do Not Call, fair housing, seller report, licensee duty, lead, and radon.	Use actor, protected class, prohibited act, property scope, actual knowledge, timing, and form. Build independent disclosure tracks rather than one universal rule.	Mixed fair-housing and disclosure set. Explain the duty and closest exception for every miss.
5	Transfer of Title and Property Management. Additional Illinois laws, deeds, title evidence, recording, closing, leases, tenant screening, funds, and three weakest logged topics.	Compare deed covenants with title search and insurance. Work lease, management, and closing sequences. Run delayed retests on Weeks 1 to 4 errors.	Long mixed set with topic and pacing report. Decide the final week's repair list.
6	Full-outline retrieval, separate timed national and Illinois rehearsals, final corrections, and exam logistics.	Practice under the current 150-minute national and 90-minute Illinois limits. Verify ID, appointment, route or remote system, calculator and scratch rules, and start procedure.	Require stable unseen performance with a buffer, controlled pacing, explainable misses, and verified logistics.

Final-week guardrails

- Keep national and Illinois timed scores separate because the passing standards are separate.
- Review after the timed set, not between questions.
- Retest a repaired rule with new wording after a delay.
- Use the last day for light retrieval, logistics, and a normal stopping time.

Current exam facts and primary source

National: 100 scored, 70%, 150 minutes. Illinois: 40 scored, 75%, 90 minutes. PSI may add 5 to 10 unscored experimental questions. PSI Illinois Real Estate Candidate Information Bulletin, June 24, 2026: <https://test-takers.psiexams.com/api/content/bulletin/6251>