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- It takes approximately six weeks to score examinations.
- The NBCE releases scores when it has completed all of the steps required in the scoring process.
- Processing and scoring of NBCE examinations are done in a fair, secure, and accurate fashion.
- Therefore, the NBCE must follow a number of quality assurance steps.

#### Steps in scoring include:

- Accounting for all answer sheets, which may include verifying that the bubbled-in examinee number is completed
- Carefully reading all comments made by examinees
- Researching certain questions based on the comments made
- Processing scores, including answer and scanning verification
- Conducting post-exam review for problematic test questions involving a panel of judges and several references
- Running multiple sets of equating and comparing equating results
- Hand-checking of scores just below the failing point
- Performing data forensics to figure out possible cheating cases
- Proofing and posting scores to an individual's permanent record
- Releasing scores

- In the future, NBCE will conduct a study to investigate faster scoring with the transition to CBT.
- The NBCE hopes that scores can be reported faster for the examinees who use CBT.



What questions do you have?