

RBI Grade B (Legal Officer): Exam Guide for Law Graduates

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About the Post

The Reserve Bank of India recruits Legal Officers through its Grade B (DR) — Legal Stream, a specialised recruitment distinct from the General/DEPR/DSIM streams, specifically for law graduates who will handle the RBI's legal, regulatory and litigation matters.

Examination Stages

Phase	Nature
Phase I	Objective screening test on General Awareness, English, Quantitative Aptitude and Reasoning
Phase II	Descriptive papers, including a dedicated paper on Legal knowledge (Constitutional Law, Banking Law, Company Law, Contract, and related statutes) plus English writing skills
Interview	Final stage assessing legal aptitude and suitability for a regulatory legal role

Eligibility (Standing Criteria)

- A Bachelor's degree in Law (three-year or five-year LL.B.) with a minimum aggregate percentage as prescribed in the year's notification.
- Age limits, typically 21–30 years, with standard relaxations for reserved categories.

Preparation Focus Areas

- Banking Regulation Act, RBI Act, SARFAESI Act, Negotiable Instruments Act, and Companies Act.
- Constitutional Law and Contract Law fundamentals, which form the base of the legal paper.
- Current affairs relating to banking and financial regulation, since RBI exams weight this heavily.

Dates, fees and vacancy numbers change every recruitment cycle. This guide covers the standing eligibility and exam pattern — always cross-check the current year's details on the official notification before applying.