

# TLTA Certification Exam Prep Timeline

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This 6-week study timeline is designed to help you prepare candidates for the TLTA Certification Exams: Certified Escrow Settlement Professional (CESP), Certified Title Insurance Professional (CTIP), and Certified Abstract Examination Professional (CAEP). It incorporates the Core Knowledge Areas identified by TLTA and includes study strategies recommended by current certified professionals.

General Study Tips:

- **Register for the exam** 6 weeks before your intended test date.
- Review the Glossary of Terms.
- Make flashcards for definitions, key processes, and form names.
- Review sample exam questions to get familiar with layout and format.
- Take notes and create summaries while studying each topic.
- Watch any available TLTA webinars that address relevant content.
- Discuss confusing topics with peers or mentors when possible.

## Week 1—Foundations of Title & Property

- Abstract & Examination
- Surveys
- Easements
- Entities, Individuals & Trusts
- Conveyance

## Week 2—Liens & Legal Status

- Ad Valorem Taxes
- Voluntary Liens
- Involuntary Liens
- Construction Lien Law
- Foreclosure

## Week 3—Title Commitments & Curative Work

- Insuring & Other Promulgated Forms
- Curative Issues
- Escrow Procedures
- Closing Procedures
- Notary Regulations

## Week 4—Legal Scenarios & Ownership Types

- Divorce
- Guardianship

- Decedents' Estates
- Homestead
- Bankruptcy

### **Week 5—Regulatory & Financial Matters**

- Rate & Procedural Rules
- CFPB, TRID & RESPA – General
- Home Equity & Reverse Mortgage Loans
- Manufactured Housing
- Condominiums
- Title Insurance Regulation & TDI

### **Week 6—Federal Oversight & Final Review**

- RESPA, HUD, CFPB, TRID and Closing Disclosure
- Claims
- Review all flashcards and key notes
- Revisit sample questions and test yourself
- Focus on areas where you feel least confident

Good luck on your certification exam! You've got this!