AMERICAN **P A I N T H O R S E** ASSOCIATION

Western Horsemanship (AM-115 & YP-120) Penalty Reference Sheet

- Scoring: On a basis of 0-Infinity, 70 denoting an average run
- Maneuver Scores: +3 Excellent, +2 Very Good, +1 Good, O Average or Correct, -1 Poor, -2 Very Poor, -3 Extremely Poor.
- F&E: O to 2 Average, 3 Good, 4 Very Good, 5 Excellent

3 POINT PENALTIES

- Break of gait at walk or trot up to 2 strides
- Over/under turn of 1/8 to 1/4
- Tick or hit of cone

5 POINT PENALTIES

- Not performing the specific gait, maneuver, or not stopping when called for in the pattern within 10 feet (3 meters) of the designated location
- Incorrect lead or break at lope (except when correcting an incorrect lead)
- Break of gait at walk, jog or trot for more than 2 strides
- Loss of stirrup
- Head carried too low and/or clearly behind the vertical while the horse is in motion, showing the appearance of intimidation
- Obviously looking down to check leads
- Bottom of boot not touching pad of stirrup at all gaits including the backup

10 POINT PENALTIES

- Loss of rein
- Uses of either hand to instill fear or praise while on pattern or during rail work
- Holding the saddle or saddle horn with either hand
- Cueing with the end of the romal
- Spurring in front of the cinch
- Blatant disobedience including kicking, pawing, bucking and rearing

DISQUALIFICATIONS (should not be placed)

- Failure by exhibitor to wear correct number in visible manner
- Willful abuse
- Excessive schooling or training
- Fall by horse or exhibitor
- Illegal use of hands on reins
- Use of prohibited equipment
- Going off pattern, including: knocking over wrong side of cone or marker; never performing designated gait or lead; over or under turning more than ¼ turn
- Lameness

