

Working Cow Horse- Cow Work (SC-265) Penalty Reference Sheet

- **Whistle:** 1 whistle to terminate the work, 2 whistles to award a new cow
- **Guide for a new cow:**
 - The cow won't or can't run
 - The cow won't leave the end of the arena
 - The cow is blind or won't yield to the horse
 - The cow leaves the arena
- **Cow Work Scoring:** On a basis of 60-80, 70 denoting an average run, ties broken on cow work score
- **Cow Work Run Content:** + Above Average, √ Average, – Below Average

1 POINT PENALTIES

- A-** Loss of working advantage
- C-** Using the corner or the end of the arena to turn the cow
- E-** Changing sides of arena to turn cow
- L-** For each length horse runs past cow
- P-** Working out of position
- S-** Slipping a rein
- T-** Failure to drive cow past middle marker on first run down the fence
- W-** Excessive whipping, spurring, or hollering

2 POINT PENALTIES

- A-** Going around the corner of the arena before turning the cow
- B-** In an open field turn, animal gets within 3 feet from the end fence before being turned

3 POINT PENALTIES

- E-** Exhausting or overworking the cow before circling
- H-** Hanging up on the fence (refusing to turn)
- K-** Knocking down the cow without having a working advantage

5 POINT PENALTIES

- A-** Not getting one turn each way (5 points each way)
- B-** Spurring or hitting in front of cinch at any time
- C-** Blatant disobedience, defined as kicking, biting, bucking, rearing, striking, or obviously insubordinate

NOTE: Judge may blow the whistle at anytime to terminate the work. A score of zero will be given if the work is not complete at that time.

ZERO SCORE

- A-** Turn tail
- B-** Using 2 hands on the reins in a bridle or two rein class
- C-** Fingers between the reins in a bridle class, except the two rein class
- D-** Balking
- E-** Out of control
- F-** Blood
- G-** Illegal equipment
- H-** Leaving the work area before the pattern or work is complete
- I-** Fall of horse or exhibitor
- J-** Schooling of the horse between the rein and cow work
- K-** Schooling of the horse between cows, if a new cow is awarded
- L-** If an exhibitor hits or kicks the animal being worked, with the romal or reins, in an abusive manner
- M-** Failure to pull up immediately after a new cow has been awarded
- N-** Improper western attire
- O-** Failure to work in the proper working order

NO SCORE

- A-** Lameness
- B-** Abuse
- NE-** Failure of an exhibitor to attempt to complete the pattern