

## TRAIL SCORE SHEET

SHOW:		
JUDGE:		
DATE:		

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# ONE-HALF (1/2) POINT PENALTY

Each tick or contact of a log, pole, cone, plant, or any component of an obstacle.

#### 1 POINT PENALTY

Each hit, bite, or stepping on a log, cone, plant or any component of the obstacle.

Incorrect or break of gait at walk or jog/trot for two strides or less. Both front or hind feet in a single-strided slot or space at a walk or jog/trot. Skipping over or failing to step into required space.

Split pole in lope/canter-over.

Incorrect number of strides, if specified.

#### **3 POINT PENALTY**

Incorrect or break of gait at walk or jog/trot for more than two strides. Out of lead or break of gait at lope/canter (except when correcting an incorrect lead).

Knocking down an elevated pole, cone, barrel, plant, obstacle, or severely disturbing an obstacle.

Falling or jumping off or out of a bridge with one foot once the horse has got onto or into that obstacle.

Stepping outside of the confines of an obstacle with designated boundaries with one foot once the horse has entered the obstacle.

Missing or evading a pole that is a part of a series of an obstacle with one foot.

## **5 POINT PENALTY**

Dropping slicker or object required to be carried on course. First or second cumulative refusal, balk, or evading an obstacle by shying or backing.

Letting go of gate or dropping rope gate.

Use of either hand to instill fear or praise.

Falling or jumping off or out of a bridge with more than one foot once the horse has gotten onto or into that obstacle.

Stepping outside of the confines of an obstacle with designated boundaries with more than one foot once the horse has entered the obstacle.

Missing or evading a pole that is a part of a series of an obstacle with more than one foot.

Blatant disobedience.

Holding saddle with either hand.

- \*\*\*Scoring will be on the basis of 0-infinity, with 70 denoting an average performance. Each obstacle will receive an obstacle score that should be added or subtracted from 70 and is subject to a penalty that should be subtracted. Each obstacle will be scored on the following basis, ranging from plus 1 1/2 to minus 1 1/2: -1 1/2 extremely poor, -1 very poor, -1/2 poor, 0 correct, +1/2 good, +1 very good, +1 1/2 excellent.
- \*\*\*Obstacle scores are to be determined and assessed independently of penalty points.

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### JUDGE'S SIGNATURE:

This form must return to the show office at the completion of classes.

## NO SCORE/DISQUAILIFICATION

Penalties shall be assessed as follows per occurrence:

a. Use of more than one finger between the reins.

b.Use of two hands (exception in Snaffle Bit or Hackamore classes designated for two hands) or changing hands on reins; except for junior horses shown with hackamore or snaffle bit, only one hand may be used on the reins, except that it is permissible to change hands to work an obstacle.

c.Fall to the ground by horse or rider.

d.Equipment failure that delays completion of pattern.

e.Cueing horse in front of cinch.

f.Touching the horse on the neck to lower the head, or use of free hand to instill fear or praise.

g. Abuse of an animal in the show arena and/or evidence that an act of abuse has occurred prior to or during the exhibition of a horse in competition.

h.Use of illegal equipment, including wire on bits, bosals or curb chains.

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j.Use of tack collars, tie downs or nose bands.

k.Use of whips.

I.Use of any attachment which alters the movement of or circulation to the tail.

m.Disrespect or misconduct by the exhibitor.

n.The judge may excuse a horse at any time while in the arena for unsafe conditions or improper exhibition pertaining to both the horse and/or rider. This may include the exhibition of an animal which is clearly not in a fit or sound condition.

o. The use of abusive equipment, and/or the use of abusive showing techniques by the rider.

p.The exhibition of a horse that has a cut or abrasion showing clear evidence of fresh blood in the mouth, nose, chin, shoulder, barrel, flank or hip area (those areas reasonable to believe the injury may have been caused by the rider or equipment) must be considered abuse regardless of how the injury was caused.

q.Third refusal on course.

r. While each judge is required to disqualify a horse exhibited in the manner described above, it should be noted that in every case, the exhibitor should be given the benefit of any doubt, should doubt exist.

s.If there is a discrepancy between the written and drawn pattern, the written pattern will take precedence.

t.A No Score will result in disqualification