

# NRCHA REINED WORK SCORE SHEET

EVENT: \_\_\_\_\_ GO-ROUND: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

JUDGE: \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

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RUN CONTENT:
+1 1/2 Exceptional
+1 Very Good
+1/2 Good
0 Correct
-1/2 Poor
1 Very Poor
- 1 1/2 Exceptionally Poor

**10-POINT PENALTY\***  
USEF AR 105.2b & AR 213.3  
Unnatural Arabian Tail Carriage

**1/2 POINT PENALTIES:**

- Not changing leads within the same stride
- Over or under spin 1/8 turn
- Jogging first two strides

**1 POINT PENALTIES:**

- Out of Lead
- Slipping rein in the bridle
- Over or under spin 1/4 turn
- Out of lead each 1/4 circle
- Anticipating stop

**2 POINT PENALTIES:**

- Lead missed around end of arena past second corner
- Not ever changing leads in patterns where there is only 1/2 circle
- Failure to run by marker before stop is initiated
- Freezing up in turn
- Breaking gait
- Jogging beyond two strides up until one-half circle or one-half arena length
- On trot in patterns, failure to stop before executing a lope departure
- A stop in the first 1/4 of the circle, after a lope departure, is a break of gait.
- At end of pattern, failure to hesitate to demonstrate completion of pattern.

**5 POINT PENALTIES**

- Spurring or hitting in front of cinch at any time or excessively whipping or spurring the horse.
- Blatant disobedience including kicking, biting, bucking, rearing, and striking or obviously insubordinate.

**-0- SCORE**

- Failure to complete the pattern as given (I.e. over under spin more than 1/4 turn)
- Two hands on the reins in a bridle or two-rein class
- Fingers between the reins in a bridle class, except the two rein class
- Horse balking
- Bloody Mouth (inside) AHA SEE NO SCORE
- Illegal equipment
- Leaving working area before pattern is complete
- Fall of horse or rider
- Backing more than 2 strides when no back up is called for in the pattern.
- Jogging In excess of one-half circle or one-half the length of the arena
- Improper Western Attire
- Failure to work in the proper working order

**NO SCORE:**

- Abuse
- Lameness
- Cut or abrasion showing clear evidence of fresh blood in the mouth, nose, chin, shoulder, barrel, flank or hip (AR105.6)
- NE - Failure of an exhibitor to attempt to work the pattern.

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

**MANEUVER SCORES: +1 1/2, +1, +1/2, 0, -1/2, -1, -1 1/2**

MANEUVER DESCRIPTION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	10*	PENALTY TOTAL	SCORE
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#	BACK #	MANEUVER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	10*	PENALTY TOTAL	SCORE
		PENALTY											
		SCORE									X		
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		SCORE									X		
		PENALTY											
		SCORE									X		
		PENALTY											
		SCORE									X		

Judge's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_