

WESTERN RIDING PENALTIES H.S.A.A.

SCORE OF 0

- Use of illegal Equipment.
- Willful abuse of an animal in the arena.
- Off Course
- Knowing over a markers
- Completely missing the log
- Major refusal - stop and back more than 2 strides or 4 steps with front legs
- Major disobedience – rearing, schooling
- Failure to start lope prior to end cone in pattern one and three
- Four or more simple lead changes and/or failure to change leads
- Overturn of more than 1/4 turn

5 POINT PENALTY

- Out of Lead beyond the next designated change area
- (Note: failures to change, including cross-cantering, at two consecutive change areas would result in 10 penalty points)
- Blatant disobedience including kicking out, biting and bucking

3 POINT PENALTY

- Not performing the specific gait (job or lope) or stopping when called for in the pattern, within 3 metres (10 feet) of the designated area.
- Break of gait at the lope
- Simple changes of leads
- Out of lead at or before the marker prior to the designated change area or out of lead at or after the marker after the designated change area
- Additional lead changes anywhere in pattern (except when correcting an extra change or incorrect lead)
- In pattern one and three, failure to start the lope within 9 metres (30 feet) after crossing the log at the jog
- Break of gait at walk or jog for two or more strides

1 POINT PENALTY

- Break of gait at walk or jog up to two strides
- Hitting or rolling log
- Out of lead for more than one stride either side of the centre point and between the markers
- Splitting the log (log between the two front or two hind feet) at the lope

1/2 POINT PENALTY

- Tick or light touch of log
- Hind legs skipping or coming together during lead change
- Non-simultaneous lead change (front to hind or hind to front)