

EVENT **NRCHA Spring Fling** GO-ROUND DATE **4-19-2026** JUDGE **S. Dunkel**

CLASS **NRCHA Open**

NATIONAL REINED COW HORSE ASSOCIATION www.nrcha.com



**REINED WORK JUDGE CARD**

Effective November 16, 2025

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

**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)
- 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

**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.

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

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

#	HORSE	MANEUVER DESCRIPTION	MANEUVER SCORES								Penalty Total	SCORE	
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8			
489		PENALTY											
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494		PENALTY											
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165		PENALTY						2				2	68 1/2
		SCORE	0	0	+1/2	+1/2	0	-1/2	0				
496		PENALTY											70
		SCORE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
184		PENALTY					1/2						70 1/2
		SCORE	0	0	0	+1/2	+1/2	0	0				
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Judge's Signature: *S. Dunkel*

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 CLASS **DRCHA Open** NATIONAL REINED COW HORSE ASSOCIATION www.nrcha.com



**COW WORK JUDGE CARD**  
 Effective November 16, 2025

- 1 POINT PENALTIES**  
 A-Loss of working advantage  
 C-Cow's head breaks the plane of the 1 point marker  
 E-Changing sides of arena to turn cow  
 L-For each length horse runs past cow  
 P-Working out of position  
 S-Slipping rein  
 T-Failure to drive cow past middle marker on first run down the fence after the cow is lined out (3 horse strides)  
 W-Excessive hollering
- 2 POINT PENALTIES**  
 A-Going around corner of arena before turning cow  
 B-In an open field turn animal gets within 3 feet of the end fence before being turned  
 C-Failure to change sides after a circling turn prior to the first circle
- 3 POINT PENALTIES**  
 D-Dangerous Position  
 E-Exhausting or overworking before circling cow  
 H-Hanging up on fence (refusing to turn)  
 K-Knocking down cow without having working advantage
- 5 POINT PENALTIES**  
 A-Not getting a turn each way (5 points each way)  
 B-Spurring or hitting in front of cinch at anytime or excessively whipping or spurring horse  
 C-Blatant disobedience including kicking, biting, bucking, rearing and striking or obviously insubordinate

- 0- SCORE**  
 A-Turn tail  
 B-Using two 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-Extremely out of control  
 F-Bloody mouth (inside)  
 G-Illegal equipment  
 H-Leaving working area before pattern is complete  
 I-Fall of horse or rider  
 J-Schooling between rein work and cow work  
 K-Schooling horse between cows, if new cow is awarded  
 L-If a rider hits or kicks the animal being worked with the romal or reins, in an abusive manner  
 N-Improper Western Attire  
 O-Failure to work in the proper working order
- NO SCORE:**  
 A-Abuse  
 B-Lameness
- NE- Failure of an exhibitor to attempt to work the pattern (fence work)**

**RUN CONTENT:**

- ++ **Exceptional** = +2
- + Very Good = +1
- ✓+ Good = +1/2
- ✓ Average = 0
- ✓- Poor = -1/2
- Very Poor = -1
- **Exceptionally Poor** = -2

**GUIDE FOR NEW COW:**  
 (At judge's discretion, rider will receive new cow as necessary to show horse)  
 - Cow that won't run  
 - Cow that doesn't respect horse  
 - When cow leaves the arena

**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.

#	HORSE	MANEUVER	RUN CONTENT (++) (+) (✓+) (✓) (✓-) (-) (-)							& 1 POINT PENALTIES			2 PT PENALTY	3 PT PENALTY	5 PT PENALTY	Penalty Total	SCORE
			Boxing	Rating	Form & Quality of Turns	Circling	Position & Control	Degree of Difficulty	Eye Appeal								
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