



## | ApHC SHOWMANSHIP REFERENCE SHEET

**Scoring:** Exhibitors are to be scored from 0 to infinity with 70 denoting an average score. Maneuvers are scored from +3 to -3 in ½ point increments.

**Maneuvers:** +3 Excellent, +2 Very Good, +1 Good, 0 Correct, -1 Poor, -2 Very Poor, -3 Extremely Poor

**Exhibitor's overall form and effectiveness (F&E):**

0 to 5 with 0 to 2 Average, 3 Good, 4 Very Good, 5 Excellent

### **1 Point Penalty:**

- Break of gait at walk or trot for up to two strides
- Over or under turning up to 1/8 of a turn
- Ticking or hitting cone
- Sliding a pivot foot
- Lifting a pivot foot during a pivot or set-up and replacing it in the same place

### **3 Point Penalty:**

- Not performing the gait or not stopping within 10 feet of designated area
- Break of gait at walk or trot for more than 2 strides
- Splitting the cone
- Horse stepping out of or moving the hind end significantly during pivot or turn
- Horse stepping out of set-up after presentation
- Over/Under turning 1/8 to 1/4 turn
- Switching pivot foot
- Horse resting a foot or hipshot in a setup

### **5 Point Penalty:**

- Exhibitor is not in the required position during inspection
- Exhibitor touching the horse or kicking or pointing their feet at the horse's feet during the set-up
- Standing directly in front of the horse
- Loss of lead shank (with one or both hands), two hands on shank, holding chain
- Severe disobedience including but not limited to rearing or pawing; horse continually circling exhibitor
- Blatant disobediences including biting, kicking, rearing, pawing, Horse continually circling exhibitor

### **DQ:**

- Loss of control of horse
- Horse becomes separate from exhibitor
- Failure to display correct number
- Willful abuse
- Never performing specific gait
- Excessive schooling or training; use of artificial aids
- Off pattern, including knocking over cone or working on wrong side of cone/marker
- Illegal equipment
- Over or under turning by more than 1/4 turn

**Do not DQ Novice or Walk/Trot – Place Below Exhibitors Not Incurring Disqualifying Fault**