

# 4-H RANCH CUTTING JUDGES CARD



**COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY**  
EXTENSION

JUDGE \_\_\_\_\_  
CLASS \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**1 POINT PENALTIES**

- A. Loss of working advantage
- B. Working out of position

**3 POINT PENALTIES**

- A. Cattle picked up or scattered
- B. Spurring in front of the cinch
- C. Horse pawing or biting cattle
- D. Back fence

**5 POINT PENALTIES**

- A. Quitting the cow
- B. Losing the cow
- C. Not driving cow between marker and corner of pen, prior to penning
- D. Blatant disobedience

**10 POINT PENALTY**

- A. No penning by time limit (2.5 min)

**ZERO SCORE – not eligible to place**

- A. Illegal equipment
- B. Turn tail
- C. Running into the herd- Excessive disturbance of the herd or running into the herd (to the point where the exhibitor is asked to leave the arena).
- D. Two hands on the reins. Exception: “two hands may be used when using a bosal or snaffle bit”.
- E. Herd holders aiding the contestant inappropriately (See rule book)
- F. Fall of horse or rider.

**When working a cow, rider will not be penalized for holding the cattle or horn of the saddle.**

**NEW COW**

The judge may award a rider a new cow based on the following:

- A. Cow will not or cannot run
- B. Cow will not leave the herd or the end of the arena
- C. Cow is blind or will not yield to the horse
- D. Cow leaves the arena

**Judge may blow his/her whistle at any time to terminate the work. A score of zero will be given, if the work is not complete at that time. 2 and half minute time limit for each horse. Each rider begins with a score of 70.**

Entry #	Penalties				Run Content: – Below Average, √ Average, + Above Average							Score	Place
	1 PT	2 PT	5 PT	10 PT	Herd Work	Setting Up Cow	Degree of Difficulty	Cow Sense	Horse-manship	Use of Herd Help	Ability to Pen		

