

# 4-H INDIVIDUAL COW WORK Level III/IV



**COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**EXTENSION**

JUDGE \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**1 POINT PENALTIES**

- A. Loss of working advantage
- B. Slipping a Rein
- C. Excessive whipping, spurring, or hollering
- D. Failure to drive cow down the fence to designated marker
- E. For each length horse runs past cow
- F. Using corner or end of arena to turn cow
- G. Changing sides of arena to turn cow

**2 POINT PENALTIES**

- A. Going around corner of arena before stopping or turning cow
- B. Driving cow down the middle of arena and stopping in the middle of the arena. (Driving cow at least 20 ft. off the side of the arena wall would be considered middle of the arena)
- C. No catch after two loops

**3 POINT PENALTIES**

- A. Exhausting or overworking before driving cow down fence
- B. Knocking down cow without having working advantage
- C. Failure or refusal to turn

**5 POINT PENALTIES**

- A. Not getting a turn (5 points each way)
- B. Spurring or hitting in front of the cinch at any time
- C. Blatant disobedience including kicking, biting, bucking, rearing and striking or obviously insubordinate
- D. Loss of Cow

**GUIDE FOR "NEW COW"** (At judge's discretion, rider will receive new cow(s) as necessary to show horse)

- Cow that will not or cannot run
- Cow is blind in one or both eyes
- Cow that doesn't yield to the horse
- When cow leaves arena

**10 POINT PENALTIES**

- A. Dropping rope
- 0- SCORE FOR CLASS (Not eligible to place or receive a ribbon)**
- A. Failure to attempt part of class
  - B. Excessive running or abuse of cow
  - C. Turn tail (to turn away from cow turning tail to the cow)
  - D. Out of control
  - E. Fall of horse or rider
  - F. Illegal equipment or illegal use of equipment
  - G. Schooling horse between cows, if new cow is awarded
  - H. Failure to quit working a cow after a new cow has been awarded
  - I. Whipping or striking the horse with hand or equipment
  - J. Visible blood inside the mouth, shoulders or sides
  - K. Fingers between the reins (when using romal reins or more than one finger between split reins)
  - L. Two handed in a curb bit

**GUIDE FOR ROPING/CIRCLING**

**Roping Option:**

- A catch is legal if it passes over the cow's head and holds on any part except the tail until the dally is taken and the breakaway hondo releases. On horned cattle, all head or horn catches are legal.
- Only two loops/throws are permissible. Only one rope may be carried.
- Roping should have two scores. Tracking/rating and stopping the cow are judged even if there is no catch.

**- Circling Option:**

- An exhibitor has the option of circling the cow once in each direction instead of roping with a score for each direction of circling. A five point penalty (each way) will be assessed for not getting a circle.

**When working a cow, a rider shall not be penalized for holding onto the cantle or horn of the saddle.**

**Judge may blow his/her whistle at any time to terminate the work. There is a three minute time limit for each horse.**

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