1 Point Penalties:
- Over-bridled (per maneuver)
- Out of frame (per maneuver)
- Too slow (per gait)
- Break of gait at walk or trot for two (2) strides or less

3 Point Penalties:
- Wrong lead or out of lead
- Draped reins (per maneuver)
- Break of gait at lope
- Break of gait at walk or trot for more than two (2) strides
- Out of lead or cross-cantering more than two (2) strides when changing leads
- Trotting more than three (3) strides when making a simple lead change
- Severe or disturbance of any obstacle

5 Point Penalties:
- Blatant disobedience (kick, bite, buck, rear, etc.) for each refusal

10 Point Penalty:
- Unnatural Ranch Horse Appearance (Horse's tail is obvious and consistently carried in an unnatural manner in every maneuver)

Off-Pattern (OP): Cannot place above others who complete pattern correctly:
- Eliminates maneuver
- Incomplete maneuver
- Use of two hands (except junior and level 1 horses shown in a snaffle bit/hackamore), more than one finger between split reins or any fingers between romal reins (except in the tow-rein).

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