Pattern:

Upon receiving a cow, contestants shall hold each cow in the prescribed area of the arena for sufficient time to demonstrate a horse’s ability to control the cow.

1. Take the cow down the fence,
2. Make at least one turn in each direction on the fence.
3. Take the animal to an open part of the arena and circle the animal at least once in each direction.

This exercise is ideal fence work; however, a judge should take into consideration the size of the arena, the ground condition, and the disposition of the cattle.

Consideration Guidelines:

At the judge’s discretion, cattle work may be done immediately following each individual’s pattern work or immediately after completion of pattern work by all horses being exhibited.

A. The cattle-working portion must be completed within two minutes.
B. At the judge’s discretion, a rerun may be given if a cow being worked leaves the arena, is blind, or won’t run.
C. At the judge’s discretion, the run may be terminated when it poses a threat to the safety of a rider or the livestock.