Wyoming 4-H

Working Cow - Cow Pattern (Senior)

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.