TRAIL SCORE SHEET

SCORING

Based on a scale of 0 through infinity
Score of 70 denotes an average performance

OBSTACLE SCORES

Rating	Point Value
Excellent	+1 ½
Very Good	+1
Good	+ ½
Correct	0
Poor	- ½
Very Poor	-1
Extremely Poor	-1 ½

PENALTIES

Error	Penalty
For each tick of log, pole, cone or obstacle	1/2
Major hit or step on log, pole, cone or obstacle	1
Both feet in single-strided slot or space	1
Skipping over or failing to step into required space	1
Split pole in lope over	1
Out of lead or break of gait at lope (including to correct lead)	1
Stepping outside the confines of an obstacle (back thru, side pass, box)	3 to 4
Knocking down an elevated pole, jump, cone , barrel, plant or obstacle	3 to 4
Dropping slicker or object required to be carried on course	5
First refusal, balk, or attempting to evade obstacle by shying or backing more than 2 strides away	5
Letting go of gate or dropping rope gate	5
Blatant disobedience	5
Failure to demonstrate correct lead or gait if designated	5
Failure to complete obstacle	5
Second refusal, balk or attempting to evade an obstacle by shying backing more than 2 strides away	5
Severely disturbing an obstacle	5
Falling or jumping off or out of an obstacle (bridge or water box)	5

PENALTIES (continued)

Error	Penalty
Use of more than one finger between reins	0
Use of two hands -(except with Junior horses shown with snaffle or hackamore or snaffle or hackamore classes)	0
Changing hands on reins (except when necessary to work an obstacle)	0
Performing the obstacles other than in specified order	0
No attempt to perform an obstacle	0
Equipment failure that delays completion of pattern	0
Touching horse on neck to lower head, or use free hand to instill fear or praise	0
Fall to ground by horse or rider	0
Failure to enter, exit or work obstacle from correct side or direction	0
Failure to ride correct line within or between obstacles	0
Riding outside designated boundary marker of the course	0
Third refusal on course	0
Cueing horse in front of cinch	0
Infraction of any state or federal law pertaining to the exhibition, care and custody of horses within the state where the USEF trail class is being held.	No Score
Abuse of an animal in the show arena and/or evidence that an act of abuse has occurred prior to or during the exhibition of a horse in competition	No Score
Use of illegal equipment, including wire on bits, bosals or curb chains	No Score
Use of illegal bits bosals or curb chains	No Score
Use of tack collars, tie downs or nose bands	No Score
Use of whips	No Score
Use of any attachment which alters the movement of or circulation to the tail	No Score
Disrespect or misconduct by the exhibitor	No Score
Use of abusive equipment, and/or the use of abusive showing techniques by the rider	No Score
Exhibition of a horse that has a cut or abrasion showing clear evidence of fresh blood in the mouth, nose, chin, shoulder, barrel, flank or hip area	No Score
Horse not in fit or sound condition	Excused-No Score
Unsafe conditions or improper exhibition	Excused-No Score

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Exhibitor Number	Obstacle Description	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Exhibitor's Subtotals	Exhibitor's Final Score
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Judge's Name (Print)_____ Judge's Signature_____