

*To rein a horse is not only to guide him, but also to direct his every movement.  
The best reined horse should be willingly guided through a set of complex maneuvers,  
with little or no apparent resistance.*



## CCRHA Show Etiquette

### **1. Warm Up Procedures**

#### ***Circling:***

Circling will be scheduled on the hour for 30 minutes.

The position of the judges will determine the direction of circling on each half of the arena. Left of the judges' chairs will circle left; right of the judges' chairs will circle right.

When circling a rider may stop at centre for a brief time to settle his/her horse but then must retire to the end or sides of the pen for further rest. If the horses stopped at centre become an issue for other riders, they will be asked to move out of centre.

Spinning should occur within the large fast circle.

#### ***Fencing:***

Fencing will be scheduled on the half hour for 30 minutes.

Please schedule your warm up in accordance to the rules for timing.

Fencers must yield to all other traffic.

Before backing or rolling back, please be aware of the proximity of the riders behind you.

Any exhibitor found to be in direct conflict of the rules will be warned. If this warning is not heeded, the exhibitor will be asked to leave the arena.

Inexperienced riders should be in warm up pen with supervision of a coach or other persons qualified to instruct the inexperienced rider on safety.

### **2. Show Pen Procedure**

Ensure you are aware of your order of go and are available for the gate at your time of showing.

When your run is complete please be courteous to the Judge, and ride over to the Judge and present yourself to him/her. It is viewed as inconsiderate to make the Judge walk to the competitor.

Exit the Show pen in a timely manner to reduce delays in the show schedule.

Ensure you are aware of your placing and be ready for presentations and pictures.

Competitors and Spectators need to ensure that they are not interfering with the gate volunteer or competitors ready to enter or exit the pen. If you are found to be interfering you will be asked to leave the area.

Keep inquiries to the Gate volunteer at a minimum.

Keep gate area clear.

### **3. Show Entries**

Ensure you have all your required paperwork for the show secretary

If you are scratching or late entering a class you will be asked to sign the change of entry to ensure no miscommunication or error occurs.