



ROCKY MOUNTAIN TEAM PENNING ASSOCIATION RATING AND EVALUATION FORM

RMTPA Rating Criteria - Self Evaluation

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Other Penning/Sorting Information:

Organization _____ Rating _____ Organization _____ Rating _____

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Circle the number in each category that best fits your level:

Horsemanship

1. Beginner – beginning rider with basic to no horsemanship skills
2. Recreational Rider – beginning to average horsemanship skills for trail riding
3. Average – Proficient horsemanship skills for basic functions such as trail riding
4. Above Average – Good horsemanship skills, has had some training or coaching, has competed in horse events
5. Experienced – Excellent horsemanship skills, has ridden for many years, has had training or coaching, has competed successfully in horse events
6. Exceptional/Trainer – Professional Trainer or Horse Event Competitor

Horse Ability

1. Has not competed in any cow event and does not have cow bloodlines
2. Has not competed in any cow event and has cow bloodlines
3. Has competed in cow events and is below average
4. Has competed in cow events and is average
5. Has competed in cow events and is very cowy
6. Has competed a lot in penning, cutting or working cow horse classes

Cattle Skills

1. None/Never penned or sorted
2. Beginning to understand how cattle move and react
3. Moderate cattle reading skills, not proficient on fresh cattle
4. Above average cattle reading skills, able to work fresh cattle successfully
5. Excellent cattle reading skills, quick reflexes, good eyes, ability to monitor a herd versus individual cows
6. Professional level cattle reading skills including professional competitor in cattle events, professional trainer, full time rancher

Penning Experience

1. No Experience
2. Limited Experience, basic knowledge of penning
3. Some success in lower rated classes, has ability to assist lower level riders during a run
4. Has ability to assist lower level riders during a run and ride at a faster level with higher level riders
5. Accomplished team penning skills with the ability to assist riders of all levels during a run, understand advanced nuances of the game
6. Extreme level of team penning skills, pens professionally or is a professional trainer, wins consistently at all levels

Sorting Experience

1. No Experience
2. Limited Experience, basic knowledge of sorting
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4. Has ability to assist lower level riders during a run and ride at a faster level with higher level riders
5. Accomplished sorting skills with the ability to assist riders of all levels during a run, understand advanced nuances of the game
6. Extreme level of sorting skills, sorts professionally or is a professional trainer, wins consistently at all levels

Penning Success

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2. Dominates the lower level classes
3. Usually places or wins in lower and mid-level classes
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