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Date  
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Individual Score Sheet

## Arabian Performance Halter

(Circle one score per category)

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**Q** Quality, Balance, Substance

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10 Point Penalty

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### **SEE AR123 – AR127 FOR COMPLETE PERFORMANCE HALTER RULES**

- Horses with loss of sight in one eye may compete in Performance Halter classes.
- No whips or other attention-getting devices are allowed within the ring.
- Use of hoof polish is permitted.
- Horses may be shown in a traditional style Arabian show halter, a Western style show halter, or a leather stable halter. Horses may be shown in bridles appropriate to their performance divisions.
  - Chains through the mouth are not permitted.
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  - Horses may be shown braided if braiding is appropriate for their performance division. Braiding is not required.
- Exhibitors may wear any clothing appropriate to the show ring that they feel best represents their horse and allows them to show their horse to their best advantage. Suits or riding habits are not required.
- Horses will be presented in a relaxed and dignified manner and may be expressive and attentive. No horse will be shown in a manner deemed to presented with a hard stance.
  - Defined as a shift of balance, withdrawing, or an increase in intensity due to any actions or cues from the handler.
- Horses should be positioned with their weight balanced on all four feet, not stretched.
  - All four feet are flat on the ground and at least one front and one rear cannon bone is perpendicular to the ground.
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  - is obviously limping or of impaired gait;
  - horse (AR109.3) has fallen; or
  - (AR105.6) for inhumane treatment and undue stress.
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