

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0210580 - CHECO'S RESTAURANT		Site Address 674 N 13TH ST A, SAN JOSE, CA 95112		Inspection Date 02/29/2024	
Program PR0301268 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP11			Owner Name ENRIQUEZ, DINORA		Inspection Time 14:00 - 15:00
Inspected By LAWRENCE DODSON	Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION	Consent By DINORA ENRIQUEZ	FSC Dinora Enriquez Enriquez 8/07/2027		

Placard Color & Score
GREEN
83

RISK FACTORS AND INTERVENTIONS	IN	OUT		COS/SA	N/O	N/A	PBI
		Major	Minor				
K01 Demonstration of knowledge; food safety certification	X						
K02 Communicable disease; reporting/restriction/exclusion	X						S
K03 No discharge from eyes, nose, mouth	X						
K04 Proper eating, tasting, drinking, tobacco use	X						
K05 Hands clean, properly washed; gloves used properly	X						
K06 Adequate handwash facilities supplied, accessible		X					
K07 Proper hot and cold holding temperatures	X						
K08 Time as a public health control; procedures & records						X	
K09 Proper cooling methods			X				
K10 Proper cooking time & temperatures					X		
K11 Proper reheating procedures for hot holding	X						
K12 Returned and reservice of food	X						
K13 Food in good condition, safe, unadulterated	X						
K14 Food contact surfaces clean, sanitized	X						
K15 Food obtained from approved source	X						
K16 Compliance with shell stock tags, condition, display	X						
K17 Compliance with Gulf Oyster Regulations					X		
K18 Compliance with variance/ROP/HACCP Plan						X	
K19 Consumer advisory for raw or undercooked foods	X						
K20 Licensed health care facilities/schools: prohibited foods not being offered						X	
K21 Hot and cold water available	X						
K22 Sewage and wastewater properly disposed	X						
K23 No rodents, insects, birds, or animals	X						

GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES	OUT	COS
K24 Person in charge present and performing duties		
K25 Proper personal cleanliness and hair restraints		
K26 Approved thawing methods used; frozen food	X	
K27 Food separated and protected		
K28 Fruits and vegetables washed		
K29 Toxic substances properly identified, stored, used		
K30 Food storage: food storage containers identified		
K31 Consumer self service does prevent contamination		
K32 Food properly labeled and honestly presented		
K33 Nonfood contact surfaces clean		
K34 Warewash facilities: installed/maintained; test strips		
K35 Equipment, utensils: Approved, in good repair, adequate capacity		
K36 Equipment, utensils, linens: Proper storage and use		
K37 Vending machines		
K38 Adequate ventilation/lighting; designated areas, use		
K39 Thermometers provided, accurate		
K40 Wiping cloths: properly used, stored		
K41 Plumbing approved, installed, in good repair; proper backflow devices		
K42 Garbage & refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained		
K43 Toilet facilities: properly constructed, supplied, cleaned		X
K44 Premises clean, in good repair; Personal/chemical storage; Adequate vermin-proofing		
K45 Floor, walls, ceilings: built, maintained, clean		X
K46 No unapproved private home/living/sleeping quarters		
K47 Signs posted; last inspection report available		

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K48	Plan review	
K49	Permits available	
K58	Placard properly displayed/posted	

Comments and Observations

Major Violations

K06 - 8 Points - Inadequate handwash facilities: supplied or accessible; 113953, 113953.1, 113953.2, 114067(f)

Inspector Observations: The only hand wash sink in the kitchen is obstructed by a stored container.
[CA] Handwashing facility shall be clean, unobstructed, and accessible at all times.

Liquid hand cleanser does not dispense in mens restroom.
[CA] All food facilities shall provide an operable handwashing station.

Front service bar lacks a hand wash sink.
[CA] Provide sufficient number and conveniently locate handwash sinks near food prep area or warewashing area.

Minor Violations

K09 - 3 Points - Improper cooling methods; 114002, 114002.1

Inspector Observations: Deep container of menudo is cooling at ambient room temperature.
[CA] After heating or hot holding, Potentially Hazardous Foods (PHFs) shall be cooled rapidly from 135°F to 70°F within 2 hours and from 70°F to 41°F within 4 hours. Approved cooling methods include: 1) Placing the food in shallow pans 2) Separating the food into thinner or smaller portions. 3) Using rapid cooling equipment (Ex. blast chiller) 4) Using containers that facilitate heat transfer (ex. stainless steel) 5) Adding ice as an ingredient. 6) Using ice paddles 7) Using an ice bath and stirring frequently 8) Accordance with a HACCP plan. Cooling foods shall have enough space around the containers for cold air to circulate, be loosely covered, or uncovered and stirred as frequently needed to evenly cool.

K26 - 2 Points - Unapproved thawing methods used; frozen food; 114018, 114020, 114020.1

Inspector Observations: Frozen tripe found thawing at ambient temperature in food preparation sink.[CA] Frozen potentially hazardous food shall only be thawed in one of the following ways: 1) under refrigeration that maintains the food temperature at 41°F or below, 2) completely submerged under potable running water for a period not to exceed two hours at a water temperature of 70°F or below, and with sufficient water velocity to agitate and flush off loose particles into the sink drain, 3) in a microwave oven if immediately followed by immediate preparation, 4) as part of a cooking process.

K43 - 2 Points - Toilet facilities: improperly constructed, supplied, cleaned; 114250, 114250.1, 114276

Inspector Observations: Toilet paper placed outside of the dispenser in restroom.
[CA] Toilet tissue shall be provided in a permanently installed dispenser at each toilet.

K45 - 2 Points - Floor, walls, ceilings: not built, not maintained, not clean; 114143(d), 114266, 114268, 114268.1, 114271, 114272

Inspector Observations: Grease and food buildup found on floor under cooking equipment.
[CA] Regularly clean under cooking equipment to prevent accumulation of debris.

Walls in kitchen show signs of deterioration.
[CA] Repair holes in structure and maintain in good repair to prevent pest harborage.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

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Measured Observations

<u>Item</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Measurement</u>	<u>Comments</u>
cooked rice	stove	148.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked shrimp	preparation refrigerator	41.00 Fahrenheit	
cheese	preparation refrigerator	40.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked beans/refried	stove	161.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked trip	food preparation table	140.00 Fahrenheit	
hot water	hand wash sink	100.00 Fahrenheit	
frozen trip	food preparation sink	32.00 Fahrenheit	defrosting
menu do	preparation table	148.00 Fahrenheit	cooling
hot water	3 compartment warewash sink	120.00 Fahrenheit	

Overall Comments:

When required to determine compliance, a single reinspection will be conducted without additional charge. If subsequent reinspections are required, an hourly fee (minimum one hour) at the current rate approved by the Board of Supervisors will be assessed for each and every reinspection until the necessary changes or corrections are made. Unless otherwise noted by the inspector, all violations are to be corrected no later than **3/14/2024**. Any major change in menu or any change in ownership must have prior approval by this Department. This may require structural and/or equipment changes or remodeling to accommodate new operations.

Legend:

- [CA] Corrective Action
- [COS] Corrected on Site
- [N] Needs Improvement
- [NA] Not Applicable
- [NO] Not Observed
- [PBI] Performance-based Inspection
- [PHF] Potentially Hazardous Food
- [PIC] Person in Charge
- [PPM] Part per Million
- [S] Satisfactory
- [SA] Suitable Alternative
- [TPHC] Time as a Public Health Control



Received By: Dinora Enriquez
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Signed On: February 29, 2024