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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility	Site Address	Inspection Date
FA0213426 - PEPPERMINT INDIAN RESTAURANT	1169 W EL CAMINO REAL, SUNNYVALE, CA 94087	11/05/2026
Program	**Owner Name**	**Inspection Time**
PR0300418 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 6-25 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP14	PEPPER MINT LLC	13:50 - 14:50
Inspected By	**Inspection Type**	**Consent By**
KAYA ALASSFAR	ROUTINE INSPECTION	SNOWDON

FSC ANIRBAN DASGUPTA 2/21/2029

Placard Color & Score
GREEN
88

RISK FACTORS AND INTERVENTIONS		IN	OUT Major	OUT Minor	COS/SA	N/O	N/A	PBI
K01	Demonstration of knowledge; food safety certification	X						S
K02	Communicable disease; reporting/restriction/exclusion	X						
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						S
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				S
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		
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		
K44	Premises clean, in good repair; Personal/chemical storage; Adequate vermin-proofing		
K45	Floor, walls, ceilings: built,maintained, clean		
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

No major violations were observed during this inspection.

Minor Violations

K06 - 3 Points - Inadequate handwash facilities: supplied or accessible; 113953, 113953.1, 113953.2, 114067(f)

Inspector Observations: Soap and paper towels not available at the hand sink by the warewash area, employee stated dispenser has a leak. Adjacent hand sink is used by employees.
[CA] Handwashing facilities shall be equipped with handwashing cleanser and single-use sanitary towels in dispensers.

K07 - 3 Points - Improper hot and cold holding temperatures; 11387.1, 113996, 113998, 114037, 114343(a)

Inspector Observations: Cooked rice left on counter for 30min per PIC; measured at 131F.
[CA] PHFs shall be held at 41°F or below or at 135°F or above.

K14 - 3 Points - Food contact surfaces unclean and unsanitized; 113984(e), 114097, 114099.1, 114099.4, 114099.6, 114101, 114105, 114109, 114111, 114113, 114115(a,b,d), 114117, 14125(b), 114141

Inspector Observations: Mold-like substance buildup inside the ice machine.
[CA] Clean and sanitize the ice machine more frequently to prevent contamination.

K21 - 3 Points - Hot and cold water not available; 113953(c), 114099.2(b), 114163(a), 114189, 114192, 114192.1, 11419

Inspector Observations: Hot water at the food prep sink by the cookline measured at 115F.
[CA] Hot water shall be supplied at a minimum temperature of at least 120°F measured from the faucet throughout facility except at handwash sinks.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
lentils	cold holding drawer	40.00 Fahrenheit	
paneer	prep refrigerator	41.00 Fahrenheit	
noodles	cold holding drawers	41.00 Fahrenheit	
tika masala sauce	prep refrigerator	45.00 Fahrenheit	cooling
cabbage	hot holding	150.00 Fahrenheit	
sauce	walk-in refrigerator	36.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked rice	hot holding	150.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked potatoes	walk-in refrigerator	38.00 Fahrenheit	
ambient q	walk-in freezer	12.00 Fahrenheit	
cream	walk-in refrigerator	39.00 Fahrenheit	
sauce	reach-in refrigerator	40.00 Fahrenheit	
cut tomatoes	prep refrigerator	36.00 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 **11/19/2026**.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.

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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: Snowdon
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Signed On: November 05, 2026