

# County of Santa Clara

## Department of Environmental Health

### Consumer Protection Division

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## OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

<b>Facility</b> FA0205065 - TAVERNA		<b>Site Address</b> 800 EMERSON ST, PALO ALTO, CA 94301		<b>Inspection Date</b> 04/23/2024		<b>Placard Color &amp; Score</b> <div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <b>GREEN</b>  <b>94</b> </div>		
<b>Program</b> PR0301429 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 6-25 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP14			<b>Owner Name</b> TAVERNA EL GRECO LLC		<b>Inspection Time</b> 17:15 - 18:30			
<b>Inspected By</b> LAWRENCE DODSON		<b>Inspection Type</b> ROUTINE INSPECTION		<b>Consent By</b> HAKAN BALA				<b>FSC</b> Amiran Tskhvaradze 9/14/2026

RISK FACTORS AND INTERVENTIONS		IN	OUT		COS/SA	N/O	N/A	PBI
			Major	Minor				
K01	Demonstration of knowledge; food safety certification	X						S
K02	Communicable disease; reporting/restriction/exclusion	X						
K03	No discharge from eyes, nose, mouth	X						S
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		
K27	Food separated and protected		
K28	Fruits and vegetables washed		
K29	Toxic substances properly identified, stored, used		
K30	Food storage: food storage containers identified	X	
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	X	
K36	Equipment, utensils, linens: Proper storage and use	X	
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

K30 - 2 Points - Food storage containers are not identified; 114047, 114049, 114051, 114053, 114055, 114067(h), 114069 (b)

**Inspector Observations: Uncovered food in containers found in walk-in refrigerator.[CA] Store open bulk foods in approved NSF containers with tight fitting lids.**

K35 - 2 Points - Equipment, utensils - Unapproved, unclean, not in good repair, inadequate capacity; 114130, 114130.1, 114130.2, 114130.3, 114130.4, 114130.5, 114132, 114133, 114137, 114139, 114153, 114155, 114163, 114165, 114167, 114169, 114175, 114177, 114180, 114182

**Inspector Observations: Ambient temperature of preparation refrigerator measured at 54F.  
[CA] Refrigeration must be capable of maintaining PHFs at 41°F or below. Do not use preparation refrigerator for storage of PHF until it is repaired/replaced.**

Follow-up By  
04/30/2024

K36 - 2 Points - Equipment, utensils, linens: Improper storage and use; 114074, 114081, 114119, 114121, 114161, 114178, 114179, 114083, 114185, 114185.2, 114185.3, 114185.4, 114185.5

**Inspector Observations: Scoop in bulk container lacks a handle.[CA] Store scoop handle in such a way that the handle does not come in direct contact with food to prevent contamination.**

### Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

### Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
lamb ribs	cook line	90.00 Fahrenheit	active preparation
preparation refrigerator	storage	54.00 Fahrenheit	
water	hand wash sink	100.00 Fahrenheit	
raw fish	preparation refrigerator	39.00 Fahrenheit	
sanitizer concentration	mechanical dishwasher	50.00 PPM	
cheese	walk-in refrigerator	38.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked chicken	grill	178.00 Fahrenheit	
water	3 compartment sink	120.00 Fahrenheit	
sanitizer concentration sm	mechanical dishwasher	50.00 PPM	

### 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 **5/7/2024**. 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.

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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: Hakan Bala  
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Signed On: April 23, 2024