

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0208847 - LA CHINGADA TAQUERIA		Site Address 3281 SIERRA RD, SAN JOSE, CA 95132		Inspection Date 05/01/2026		Placard Color & Score GREEN 85		
Program PR0301135 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP11			Owner Name SANTOS ARANDA		Inspection Time 11:20 - 12:30			
Inspected By MAMAYE KEBEDE		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By SANDRA CHAVEZ				FSC Adrian Hurtado 1/4/2028

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				S
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				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	X	
K31	Consumer self service does prevent contamination		
K32	Food properly labeled and honestly presented		
K33	Nonfood contact surfaces clean	X	
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		
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: The handwash station located near the three compartment warewash sink is not working.
[CA] Repair the handwash station immediately. Until then, employees may wash hand at the handwash station located near the preparation area.

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

Inspector Observations: Some potentially hazardous foods stored on the preparation fridge, including salsa, cream, and sliced avocado were measured between 45°F and 50 °F.
[CA] All potentially hazardous foods like meat, seafood, poultry, dairy products, cooked vegetables, cooked cereals, greens, and diced tomatoes shall always be held at 41°F or below or at 135°F or above. Please monitor the temperature and use of the refrigeration unit regularly

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: Some freshly sanitized utensils were stacked together on the utensil storage shelf.
[CA] Air dry all clean utensils before staking them together.

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

Inspector Observations: Many food products on boxes were stored directly on the floor or on milk crate back in the storage area.
[CA] To prevent insect hiding and breeding and for easy cleaning of the floor area, please store all food products at least six inches off the floor on approved shelf or dunnage rack.

K33 - 2 Points - Nonfood contact surfaces not clean; 114115(c)

Inspector Observations: There is an abundant dust accumulation on the restroom's exhaust vent.
[CA] Conduct a regular cleaning of the exhaust vent.

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: Some of the storage containers do not have proper covers.
[CA] To prevent contamination and vermin infestation, please provide approved cover for all the storage containers.

The ice machine cover has fallen of.
[CA] Repair/replace the cover. Until that is replaced, please cover the ice machine with plastic or other covering materials.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

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Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
Hot water	Three compartment sink	125.00 Fahrenheit	
Beef	Steam table	169.00 Fahrenheit	
Salsa	Preparation fridge	45.00 Fahrenheit	
Shell eggs	Walk-in cooler	35.00 Fahrenheit	
Beef	Undercounter drawer fridge	41.00 Fahrenheit	
Beans	Steam table	165.00 Fahrenheit	
Chlorine	Three compartment sink	100.00 PPM	
Cream	Preparation fridge	44.00 Fahrenheit	
Chicken	Steam table	164.00 Fahrenheit	

Overall Comments:

Note: Food safety manager certificate: Adrian Hurtado - 1/4/2028

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 **5/15/2026**. 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.

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: Sandra Chavez
Person In Charge
Signed On: May 01, 2026