

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0213426 - PEPPERMINT INDIAN RESTAURANT		Site Address 1169 W EL CAMINO REAL, SUNNYVALE, CA 94087		Inspection Date 01/15/2026	
Program PR0300418 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 6-25 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP14			Owner Name PEPPER MINT LLC		Inspection Time 14:30 - 16:00
Inspected By KAYA ALASSFAR	Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By JITANGSHU	FSC ANIRBAN DASGUPTA 2/21/2029	

Placard Color & Score
GREEN
92

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						
K04 Proper eating, tasting, drinking, tobacco use	X						
K05 Hands clean, properly washed; gloves used properly	X						S
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		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		
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

K14 - 8 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: Measured quaternary ammonium in 3-comp sink at 0ppm while actively warewashing.
[CA] Manual sanitization shall be accomplished in the final sanitizing rinse by contacting a chlorine solution of 100 PPM concentration for at least 30 seconds or by contacting a quaternary ammonium solution of 200 PPM concentration for at least 60 seconds.
[COS] Employee repaired dispenser and rewashed utensils that haven't been sanitized properly, measured final concentration at 200ppm.

Minor Violations

No minor violations were observed during this inspection.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
water	hand sinks	100.00 Fahrenheit	
lentils	cold holding drawer	40.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked vegetables	reach-in	41.00 Fahrenheit	
curry	walk in	41.00 Fahrenheit	
quat sanitizer	3-comp sink	0.00 PPM	COS TO 200PPM
cheese	walk in	40.00 Fahrenheit	
paneer	cold holding drawer	40.00 Fahrenheit	
water	3-comp sink . food prep sink	120.00 Fahrenheit	
rice	hot holding	150.00 Fahrenheit	
paneer	reach in	41.00 Fahrenheit	
cut tomatoes	prep refrigerator inserts	41.00 Fahrenheit	
chlorine	dishwasher	50.00 PPM	
yogurt	prep refrigerator	41.00 Fahrenheit	
samosa	prep refrigerator	41.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked whole potatoes	walk in	39.00 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 **1/29/2026**. 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: JITANGSHU
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Signed On: January 15, 2026