

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0273463 - TACOS AMECA #1. INC.		Site Address 7001 MONTEREY RD, GILROY, CA 95020		Inspection Date 06/03/2025		Placard Color & Score GREEN 89		
Program PR0413435 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP11			Owner Name TACOS AMECA #1, INC.		Inspection Time 10:45 - 12:15			
Inspected By GUILLERMO VAZQUEZ		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By CARMELO S.				FSC Adrian Gutierrez 5/30/28

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						
K06	Adequate handwash facilities supplied, accessible			X				S
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						S
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		
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	X	
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	X	
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: Hand wash station next to the 3-Compartment sink has a damaged paper towel dispenser at the time of inspection.

[CA] Repair the paper towel dispenser.

[SA] Paper towels are next to the hand wash station.

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

Inspector Observations: Bulk containers in the back prep area are not labeled at the time of inspection.

[CA] Working containers holding food or food ingredients that are removed from their original packages shall be identified with the common name of the food if not easily recognizable.

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

Inspector Observations: Mold like substance is starting to grow within the silicon around the 3-compartment sink.

[CA] Equipment food-contact surfaces and utensils shall be clean to sight and touch.

K41 - 2 Points - Plumbing unapproved, not installed, not in good repair; improper backflow devices; 114171, 114189.1, 114190, 114192, 114193, 114193.1, 114199, 114201, 114269

Inspector Observations: 3-Compartment sink hot water valve is leaking at the time of inspection.

[CA] Repair plumbing fixture and maintain in clean and good repair.

K44 - 2 Points - Premises not clean, not in good repair; No personal/chemical storage; inadequate vermin-proofing; 114067(j), 114123, 114143 (a,b), 114256, 114256.1, 114256.2, 114256.4, 114257, 114257.1, 114259, 114259.2, 114259.3, 114279, 114281, 114282

Inspector Observations: Burner in the back of the facility is no longer in use.

[CA] The premises of a food facility shall be free of litter and items that are unnecessary to the operation or maintenance of the facility, such as equipment that is nonfunctional or no longer used.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

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Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
Pico de gallo	Prep table (salsa bar)	41.00 Fahrenheit	
Cooked al pastor	Cook line	189.00 Fahrenheit	Final cook temperature.
Hot water	3-Compartment/prep/mop sinks	120.00 Fahrenheit	
Cut tomato	Prep table #2	41.00 Fahrenheit	
Ice cream	Freezer chest	5.00 Fahrenheit	
Sanitizer (Chlorine)	Sanitizer bucket	100.00 PPM	
Cooked steak	Prep table	40.00 Fahrenheit	
Rice	Hot holding (steam table)	164.00 Fahrenheit	
Raw steak	Under counter refrigeration	39.00 Fahrenheit	
Beans	Hot holding (steam table)	166.00 Fahrenheit	
Tamales	Freezer chest #2	5.00 Fahrenheit	
Raw steak	Walk in	38.00 Fahrenheit	
Salsa (tomato base)	Prep table (salsa bar)	41.00 Fahrenheit	
Ambient (Non-PHF's)	Reach in (3x)	40.00 Fahrenheit	Reach in only hold sodas/beer
Cooked chicken	Prep table	40.00 Fahrenheit	
Cheese	Prep table #2	41.00 Fahrenheit	
Warm water	Hand wash/restroom	100.00 Fahrenheit	
Cooked corn	Cook line (Hot holding)	156.00 Fahrenheit	
Beans	Walk in	39.00 Fahrenheit	
Cooked steak	Cook line	194.00 Fahrenheit	Re-heating for hot holding.
Ambient	Reach in freezer	5.00 Fahrenheit	

Overall Comments:

NOTE

- Some food handler cards will be expiring this year. Obtain new certifications before expiration.

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 **6/17/2025**. 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: Carmelo S.
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Signed On: June 03, 2025