

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0203129 - TACOS EL JALICSCIENCE		Site Address 16999 MONTEREY RD H, MORGAN HILL, CA 95037		Inspection Date 04/01/2025		Placard Color & Score GREEN 84		
Program PR0305021 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 2 - FP10			Owner Name LLAMAS, PAULINA		Inspection Time 15:15 - 16:45			
Inspected By GINA STIEHR		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By FILBERTO SABADA				FSC Not Available

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						S
K07	Proper hot and cold holding temperatures		X		X			N
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		
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	X	
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

K07 - 8 Points - Improper hot and cold holding temperatures; 11387.1, 113996, 113998, 114037, 114343(a)

Inspector Observations: Observed potentially hazardous foods that measured in the temperature danger zone located in the reach-in cooler (rice 47F, beef 45F). Per PIC, the food was cooked the day before. Refrigerator was going through a defrost cycle and the PHFs were remeasured at the end of the inspection and were 1-2 degrees cooler. Ambient temperature reading was 41F. PIC must monitor food temperatures to ensure PHFs reach 41F or below OR they must be discarded.

Minor Violations

K01 - 3 Points - Inadequate demonstration of knowledge; food manager certification

Inspector Observations: Facility did not have Food Safety Certificates or Food Handler cards available for review. REPEAT VIOLATION. [CA] Each food handler shall maintain a valid food handler card for the duration of his or her employment as food handler. A valid food handler card shall be provided within 30 days of after the date of hire. [CA] Each food handler shall maintain a valid food handler card for the duration of his or her employment as food handler. A valid food handler card shall be provided within 30 days of after the date of hire.

K05 - 3 Points - Hands not clean/improperly washed/gloves not used properly; 113952, 113953.3, 113953.4, 113961, 113968, 113973 (b-f)

Inspector Observations: Observed employee to wash hands in food prep sink. [CA] Wash hands in handwash sink only; reserve food prep sink for food preparation only.

K38 - 2 Points - Inadequate ventilation and lighting in designated area; 114149, 114149.1, 114149.2, 114149.3, 114252, 114252.1

Inspector Observations: Observed cooking equipment to not be fully covered by ventilation with a 6" overhang. [CA] There shall be a minimum of 6 inches overhang of ventilation hood over cooking equipment.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

Needs Improvement - Proper hot and cold holding temperatures.

Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
hot water	handwash sink	100.00 Fahrenheit	
rice	food prep table (cooling)	87.00 Fahrenheit	
beef	reach-in	44.00 Fahrenheit	
shrimp	food prep cold hold	39.00 Fahrenheit	
rice	reach-in	48.00 Fahrenheit	
hot water	food prep sink	120.00 Fahrenheit	
beans	steam table	150.00 Fahrenheit	
tomatoes	food prep cold hold	35.00 Fahrenheit	
hot water	3 comp sink	120.00 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 **4/15/2025**. 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.

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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: Filberto Sabada
Employee

Signed On: April 01, 2025