

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0203056 - SUPER TAQUERIA-15840		Site Address 15840 MONTEREY RD, MORGAN HILL, CA 95037		Inspection Date 03/31/2026		Placard Color & Score GREEN 92		
Program PR0305483 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 6-25 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP14			Owner Name SUPER TAQUERIA RESTAUR		Inspection Time 10:45 - 12:30			
Inspected By GINA STIEHR		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By ISABEL MELENDREZ				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						S
K08	Time as a public health control; procedures & records	X						S
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		
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		X
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

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

Inspector Observations: FSC expired 3 days ago. [CA] Food facilities that prepare, handle, or serve non-prepackaged potentially hazard foods shall have a valid Food Safety Certificate available for review at all times.

K09 - 3 Points - Improper cooling methods; 114002, 114002.1

Inspector Observations: Observed cooling foods covered in saran wrap and lids. Per PIC the PHFs have been cooling for 1 hour. [CA] Facilitate rapid cooling with techniques such frequent stirring, leaving uncovered, smaller portions, shallow pans, ice paddles, and/or ice baths. Ensure PHFs meet proper cooling parameters (135F to 70F within 2 hours and 70F to 41F within 4 hours).

K40 - 2 Points - Wiping cloths: improperly used and stored; 114135, 114185.1 114185.3(d,e)

Inspector Observations: Observed used wiping cloths on food prep surfaces such as the food prep cold hold unit. [CA] Wiping towels shall be stored in sanitizing solution of an approved concentration when not in use (100 ppm - chlorine, 200 ppm - quaternary ammonium).

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
cheese	walk-in cooler	34.00 Fahrenheit	
carnitas	food prep surface	117.00 Fahrenheit	cooling
beef stew	food prep surface	86.00 Fahrenheit	cooling
cheese	reach-in	46.00 Fahrenheit	
hot water	food prep sink	120.00 Fahrenheit	
cheese	ice bath	42.00 Fahrenheit	on TPHC
sliced tomatoes	food prep cold hold	36.00 Fahrenheit	
salsa	ice bath	42.00 Fahrenheit	
quat	3 comp	200.00 PPM	
cheese	ice bath	49.00 Fahrenheit	on TPHC
whole beans	steam table	156.00 Fahrenheit	
salsa	ice bath	41.00 Fahrenheit	
hot water	handwash	100.00 Fahrenheit	
refried beans	hot hold (cookline)	163.00 Fahrenheit	
beef	prep area	34.00 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 **4/14/2026**. 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

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Received By: Isabel Melendrez

Manager

Signed On: March 31, 2026