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Department of Environmental Health
Consumer Protection Division
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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility	Site Address	Inspection Date
FA0275859 - MOLLY TEA	318 UNIVERSITY AV, PALO ALTO, CA 94301	11/19/2026
Program	**Owner Name**	**Inspection Time**
PR0416960 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 2 - FP10	MOLLYTEA PALOALTO LLC	12:20 - 13:20
Inspected By	**Inspection Type**	**Consent By** / **FSC**
ALELI CRUTCHFIELD	ROUTINE INSPECTION	TINA / Yin Wei 11/7/2029

Placard Color & Score
GREEN
85

	RISK FACTORS AND INTERVENTIONS	IN	OUT Major	OUT Minor	COS/SA	N/O	N/A	PBI
K01	Demonstration of knowledge; food safety certification	X						
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					
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						N
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	X	
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

K06 - 8 Points - Inadequate handwash facilities: supplied or accessible; 113953, 113953.1, 113953.2, 114067(f)

Inspector Observations: Lack of soap in dispenser at hand sink in restroom. [CA] Keep dispenser stocked at all times . [COS]

Minor Violations

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

Inspector Observations: Yogurt measured at 48F. [CA] Maintain potentially hazardous food 41F and below. [COS] Yogurt container was replenished with a new one.

K34 - 2 Points - Warewashing facilities: not installed or maintained; no test strips; 114067(f,g), 114099, 114099.3, 114099.5, 114101(a), 114101.1, 114101.2, 114103, 114107, 114125

Inspector Observations: Observed hot tub and spa chlorine test strips on site to test santiizer dispenser. [CA] Provide the correct sanitizer test strips for food facilities. Provide quaternary ammonium test strips and test daily between 200-400ppm.

As discussed, the clear plastic measuring tea containers that are used to mix the tea/milk ingredients must be washed, rinsed and sanitized at the 3 compartment sink every 4 hours (3 pm, 7 pm and closing time).

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: The front panel of the ice machine is missing. [CA] Keep equipment in good repair and provide the front panel.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

Needs Improvement - Food contact surfaces clean, sanitized.

Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
salted cheese top	tea dispenser refrigerator	41.00 Fahrenheit	
water	hand sinks- all	100.00 Fahrenheit	
whole milk	upright 2 door unit- back	38.00 Fahrenheit	
hazelnut cream top	2 door undercounter- front counter	40.00 Fahrenheit	
quat ammonium	3 comp sink dispenser	200.00 PPM	
hot water	3 comp sink	120.00 Fahrenheit	
milk	tea dispenser refrigerator	41.00 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 **12/3/2026**.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: tina zhang
manager

Signed On: November 19, 2026