

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0204741 - STATE OF MIND SLICE HOUSE		Site Address 3850 EL CAMINO REAL, PALO ALTO, CA 94306		Inspection Date 05/11/2026		Placard Color & Score GREEN 82		
Program PR0301484 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 2 - FP10			Owner Name STATE OF MIND SLICE HOUSE		Inspection Time 11:45 - 13:00			
Inspected By JOSHUA LUCES		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By ENZO				FSC Peter Gruber 4/26/2029

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		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				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	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		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

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

Inspector Observations:

Observed the back handwashing sink basin blocked by equipment and without paper towels.

[CA] Handwashing facility shall be clean, unobstructed, and accessible at all times. Handwashing facilities shall be equipped with handwashing cleanser and single-use sanitary towels in dispensers.

Minor Violations

K14 - 3 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:

Observed multiuse plastic containers at the drying racks wet stacked with visible accumulation of water between the containers.

[CA] Equipment and utensils must be air dried or properly stored to facilitate drying after sanitizing.

K21 - 3 Points - Hot and cold water not available; 113953(c), 114099.2(b), 114163(a), 114189, 114192, 114192.1, 11419

Inspector Observations:

Measured the maximum water temperature at the front hand washing sink at 66F and 80F at the back hand washing sink.

[CA] Handwashing facilities equipped with a mixing valve that is not readily adjustable at the faucet, shall provide warm water at least 100°F, but not greater than 108°F.

[COS] The hot water supply valve was opened to provide a water temperature of 108F.

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

Inspector Observations:

Measured the sanitizer concentration in the multiuse wiping cloth bucket at the front service area below 200 ppm quaternary ammonia

[CA] Wiping towels shall be stored in sanitizing solution of an approved concentration when not in use (100 ppm - chlorine, 200 ppm - quaternary ammonium).

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:

Observed keys stored at the shelf above the back preparation table and jackets and backpacks stored among single use articles.

[CA] No person shall store clothing or personal effects in any area used for the storage and preparation of food or food contact surfaces.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

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Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
POTATOES	OVEN	202.00 Fahrenheit	FINAL COOKING TEMPERATURE
SANITIZER CONCENTRATION	THREE COMPARTMENT SINK	200.00 PPM	QUATERNARY AMMONIA
PEPPERONI	REACH IN COOLER	39.00 Fahrenheit	
PEPPERONI	WALK IN COOLER	38.00 Fahrenheit	
COOKED POTATOES	WALK IN COOLER	41.00 Fahrenheit	
SHREDDED CHEESE	REACH IN COOLER	38.00 Fahrenheit	
SHREDDED CHEESE	COLD TOP PREPARATION COOLER	36.00 Fahrenheit	
WATER	THREE COMPARTMENT SINK	122.00 Fahrenheit	
CHORIZO	COLD TOP PREPARATION COOLER	38.00 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 5/25/2026. 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.

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: ENZO GEORGE
MANAGER
Signed On: May 11, 2026