

# County of Santa Clara

## Department of Environmental Health

### Consumer Protection Division

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## OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

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| <b>Facility</b><br>FA0250222 - CAFFE RIACE                                      |  | <b>Site Address</b><br>200 SHERIDAN AV 102, PALO ALTO, CA 94306 |                                             | <b>Inspection Date</b><br>03/11/2025 |                                         | <b>Placard Color &amp; Score</b><br><div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <b>GREEN</b><br/> <b>86</b> </div> |  |                          |
| <b>Program</b><br>PR0360516 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP11 |  |                                                                 | <b>Owner Name</b><br>RIIACE RESTAURANT GROU |                                      | <b>Inspection Time</b><br>13:15 - 14:35 |                                                                                                                                                                |  |                          |
| <b>Inspected By</b><br>ALELI CRUTCHFIELD                                        |  | <b>Inspection Type</b><br>ROUTINE INSPECTION                    |                                             | <b>Consent By</b><br>GUISEPPE        |                                         |                                                                                                                                                                |  | <b>FSC</b> 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  |       |       |        |     |     |     |
| 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  |       |       |        |     |     | S   |
| 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                                                        | X   |     |
| 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                    |     |     |
| 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

No major violations were observed during this inspection.

### Minor Violations

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

**Inspector Observations: Unable to locate food safety managers certificate and food handler cards. [CA] At least one person shall be food safety certified.**

**Each food handler shall maintain a valid food handler card for the duration of his or her employment as food handler.**

K06 - 3 Points - Inadequate handwash facilities: supplied or accessible; 113953, 113953.1, 113953.2, 114067(f)

**Inspector Observations: Observed utensils inside the hand sink next to cookline. [CA] Keep hand sink unobstructed. [COS]**

K27 - 2 Points - Food not separated and unprotected; 113984(a-d,f), 113986, 114060, 114067(a,d,e,j), 114069(a,b), 114077, 114089.1(c), 114143(c)

**Inspector Observations: Observed raw eggs above cooked food in prep unit. [CA] Store raw eggs below cooked food. [COS]**

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: Lack of quaternary ammonium test strips available for sanitizer dispenser at 3 comp sink. [CA] Provide tests strips and test at 200 ppm daily.**

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

**Inspector Observations: Several soiled wiping cloths on prep tables/counters throughout. [CA] Store wiping cloth in sanitizer solution between uses.**

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 vitamins/supplements on dry storage food shelf. [CA] Store personal items in a designated area away from food/food prep areas.**

### Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

### Measured Observations

| Item                       | Location              | Measurement       | Comments  |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| ambient                    | all refrigerators     | 39.00 Fahrenheit  | below 39F |
| arancini                   | prep unit             | 41.00 Fahrenheit  |           |
| quat ammonium              | 3 comp sink dispenser | 200.00 PPM        |           |
| chicken                    | prep unit             | 39.00 Fahrenheit  |           |
| water                      | 3 comp sink           | 120.00 Fahrenheit |           |
| pancetta                   | prep unit             | 40.00 Fahrenheit  |           |
| bruschetta- diced tomatoes | prep unit             | 38.00 Fahrenheit  |           |
| pasta                      | drawer unit           | 37.00 Fahrenheit  |           |
| salmon                     | 2 door upright        | 38.00 Fahrenheit  |           |
| chlorine                   | dishwasher            | 50.00 PPM         |           |
| polenta                    | 2 door upright        | 37.00 Fahrenheit  |           |
| water                      | hand sinks            | 100.00 Fahrenheit |           |

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## 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 3/25/2025. 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:** giuseppe carrubba  
owner

**Signed On:** March 11, 2025