

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0230435 - COSTCO WHOLESALE #470 -DELI		Site Address 5301 ALMADEN EX, SAN JOSE, CA 95118		Inspection Date 03/17/2025		Placard Color & Score GREEN 96		
Program PR0412616 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 6-25 EMPLOYEES RC 2 - FP13			Owner Name COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP		Inspection Time 11:30 - 12:30			
Inspected By MAMAYE KEBEDE		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By JACKLYN				FSC Mark Bailey 08/23/2029

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						
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						
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	N
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		X
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

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

Inspector Observations: Couple of wet/soiled wiping cloths were stored on the counters.

[CA] Wet/soiled wiping cloths must be stored in a bucket that has standard sanitizer concentration in between use which is 200 ppm quaternary ammonia or 100 ppm chlorine (bleach).

K41 - 2 Points - Plumbing unapproved, not installed, not in good repair; improper backflow devices; 114171, 114189.1, 114190, 114192, 114193, 114193.1, 114199, 114201, 114269

Inspector Observations: Drainpipe from the mechanical dishwasher is immersed inside the floor sink.

[CA] To prevent possible contamination from backup of sewage, please provide at least one inch air gap between the floor sink and the drainpipes.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

Needs Improvement - Compliance with variance/ROP/HACCP Plan.

Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
Tuna	Preparation table	40.00 Fahrenheit	
Hot water	Three compartment sink	125.00 Fahrenheit	
Sushi	Display case	35.00 Fahrenheit	
Chicken	Final cook	179.00 Fahrenheit	
Chicken	Hot holding unit	174.00 Fahrenheit	
Salmon	Preparation table	41.00 Fahrenheit	
Quaternary ammonia	Three compartment sink	200.00 PPM	
Ribs	Hot holding unit	165.00 Fahrenheit	

Overall Comments:

Note: 1. Food safety manager certificate: Mark Bailey - 08/23/2029.

2. The store has started making sushi using a sushi rice made and delivered from an outside company while adding precooked and some raw food items to make the product in the store. I will discuss with my supervisor and a food senior if the facility need to submit a HACCP plan to the state for approval. Based on the risk of operation, the risk category may be changed to risk category 3 and the program element to FP14.

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 **3/31/2025**. 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: Jacklyn Reyes
Assistant Store Manager

Signed On: March 17, 2025