



County of Riverside
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
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FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION FORM

FACILITY NAME MEXICAN KITCHEN				DATE 6/22/2022		TIME IN 1:50 PM		TIME OUT 4:15 PM	
ADDRESS 17030 VAN BUREN BLVD, Riverside, CA 92504				FACILITY DESCRIPTION Not Applicable					
PERMIT HOLDER JAMES & CAROL PRICE				EMAIL cjgprice@aol.com				Major Violations 1	
PERMIT # PR0002532	EXPIRATION DATE 06/30/2023	SERVICE Routine inspection	REINSPECTION DATE 10/22/2022	FACILITY PHONE # (951)780-2034	PE 3621	DISTRICT 0002	INSPECTOR NAME Brittany Porto	Points Deducted 14	

The conditions listed below correspond to violations of the California Health and Safety Code and/or Riverside County Ordinances and must be corrected as indicated by the enforcement officer. The Department of Environmental Health appreciates your cooperation.

Failure to correct listed violation(s) prior to the designated compliance date may necessitate an additional reinspection at a charge determined by Riverside County Ordinance 640.

Major / Minor Violations: Major Violations are those that pose an imminent risk to public health and warrant immediate closure of the food facility or immediate correction. Minor Violations are those violations that do not pose an imminent public health risk, but do warrant correction.
GRADE REPRESENTS THE FOLLOWING RANGES: A = 100-90 Passed inspection / meets minimum health standards. B = 89-80 Did not pass inspection / does not meet minimum health standards. C = 79-0 Failed inspection / conditions exist which may pose a potential or actual threat to public health and safety. The facility is required to display a grade card in a conspicuous place selected by the Enforcement Officer. The grade card shall not be concealed and can only be removed or relocated by the Enforcement Officer per County Ordinance 492 / County Code Section 8.40.020

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SCORE 86

☒ In = In compliance ☒ COS = Corrected on-site ☐ N/O = Not observed ☐ N/A = Not applicable ☐ OUT = Out of compliance

DEMONSTRATION OF KNOWLEDGE			COS	MAJ	OUT
In	N/A	1. Food safety certification			2
EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND HYGIENIC PRACTICES					
In		2. Communicable disease; reporting, restrictions and exclusions		4	
In	N/O	3. No persistent discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth			2
In	N/O	4. Proper eating, tasting, drinking or tobacco use			2
PREVENTING CONTAMINATION BY HANDS					
In	N/O	5. Hands clean and properly washed; gloves used properly		4	2
In		6. Adequate handwashing facilities supplied and accessible			2
TIME AND TEMPERATURE RELATIONSHIPS					
In	N/O	7. Proper hot and cold holding temperatures	+	4	2
In	N/O	8. Time as a public health control; procedures and records		4	2
In	N/O	9. Proper cooling methods		4	2
In	N/O	10. Proper cooking time and temperature		4	2
In	N/O	11. Proper reheating procedures for hot holding		4	
PROTECTION FROM CONTAMINATION					
In	N/O	12. Returned and re-service of food			2
In		13. Food: unadulterated, no spoilage, no contamination		4	2
In	N/O	14. Food contact surfaces: clean and sanitized		4	2
Discussed 100ppm Cl / Discussed min 100°F					

FOOD FROM APPROVED SOURCES			COS	MAJ	OUT
In		15. Food obtained from approved sources		4	2
In	N/O	16. Compliance with shell stock tags, condition, display			2
In	N/O	17. Compliance with Gulf Oyster regulations			2
CONFORMANCE WITH APPROVED PROCEDURES					
In	N/A	18. Compliance with variance, specialized process, and HACCP plan			2
CONSUMER ADVISORY					
In	N/A	19. Written disclosure and reminder statements provided for raw or undercooked foods			1
SCHOOL AND HEALTHCARE PROHIBITED FOODS					
In	N/A	20. Licensed health care facilities / public and private schools; prohibited foods not offered		4	2
WATER / HOT WATER					
In		21. Hot and cold water available		4	2
Water Temperature 3-comp 130°F					
LIQUID WASTE DISPOSAL					
In		22. Sewage and wastewater properly disposed		4	2
VERMIN					
In		23. No rodents, insects, birds, or animals		4	2
In	N/A	24. Vermin proofing, air curtains, self-closing doors			1

SUPERVISION / PERSONAL CLEANLINESS		OUT
25. Person in charge present and performs duties, demonstration of knowledge		2
26. Personal cleanliness and hair restraints		1
GENERAL FOOD SAFETY REQUIREMENTS		
27. Approved thawing methods, frozen food storage		1
28. Food separated and protected from contamination		2
29. Washing fruits and vegetables		1
30. Toxic substances properly identified, stored, used		1
FOOD STORAGE / DISPLAY / SERVICE		
31. Adequate food storage; food storage containers identified		1
32. Consumer self-service		1
33. Food properly labeled; honestly presented; menu labeling		1

EQUIPMENT / UTENSILS / LINENS		OUT
34. Utensils and equipment approved, good repair		1
35. Warewashing: installed, maintained, proper use, test materials		1
36. Equipment / utensils: installed, clean, adequate capacity		1
37. Equipment, utensils, and linens: storage and use		1
38. Adequate ventilation and lighting; designated areas, use		1
39. Thermometers provided and accurate		1
40. Wiping cloths: properly used and stored		1
PHYSICAL FACILITIES		
41. Plumbing: properly installed, good repair		1
42. Refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained		1
43. Toilet facilities: properly constructed, supplied, cleaned		1
44. Premises; personal item storage and cleaning item storage		1

PERMANENT FOOD FACILITIES		OUT
45. Floors, walls, ceilings: good repair / fully enclosed		1
46. Floors, walls, and ceilings: clean		1
47. No unapproved private homes / living or sleeping quarters		1
SIGNS / REQUIREMENTS		
48. Last inspection report available		
49. Food Handler certifications available, current, and complete		1
50. Grade card and signs posted, visible		
COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT		
51. Plans approved / submitted		
52. Permit available / current		
53. Permit suspended / revoked		
54. Voluntary condemnation		
55. Impound		



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1. FOOD SAFETY CERTIFICATION

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Inspector Comments: Observed expired Food Manager Certificate, this is a repeat violation. Provide a current Food safety certificate or proof of enrollment by reinspection on 6/28/22. Failure to comply will result in further enforcement action (hearing, citation, ect).

Violation Description: Food facilities that prepare, handle or serve non-prepackaged potentially hazardous food, shall have an employee who has passed an approved food safety certification examination. Food safety certificate must be maintained at the food facility and made available for inspection. (113947.1 - 113947.5)

6. ADEQUATE HANDWASHING FACILITIES SUPPLIED & ACCESSIBLE

POINTS

2

Inspector Comments: Observed pump soap stored at kitchen hand sink and paper towels stored on top of dispenser. Ensure all hand sinks are properly stocked with soap and paper towels in approved dispensers at all times.

Observed kitchen hand sink (only hand sink) not properly draining at start of inspection. Employee was able to unclog hand sink to properly drain waste water. Ensure all hand sinks are maintained in good repair to facilitate proper handwashing.

Violation Description: Adequate facilities exclusively for handwashing shall be provided in food preparation areas and within toilet rooms. Handwashing soap, and towels or drying device, shall be provided in dispensers. Handwashing facilities shall be clean, unobstructed, and accessible at all times for employee use. (113953, 113953.1, 113953.2, 114067(f), 114143 (e))

7. PROPER HOT & COLD HOLDING TEMPERATURES

⚠ CRITICAL ⚠

POINTS

4

Inspector Comments: Measured container of salsa in an ice bath at waitress station holding at 47F. Discussed set-up of an ice bath to maintain proper holding temperature of food with employee at this time. Instructed employee to relocate salsa into walk-in cooler for rapid cooling.

Measured the following items inside walk-in cooler holding at 44F-50F:

- 1) several containers of cut tomatoes.
- 2) 4 buckets of salsa
- 3) 8 cases of raw eggs
- 4) Pan of cooked ground beef
- 5) Container of taquitos
- 6) 2 containers of chile rellano
- 7) 3 pans of shredded chicken
- 8) 3 containers of cooked beans
- 9) two containers of cream sauce
- 10) 3 packages of cream cheese
- 11) 2 containers of pozole
- 12) 2 containers of menudo
- 13) 3 containers of cooked rice
- 14) bucket of raw meat
- 15) 3 beef roast

All items that were inside unit overnight were voluntarily discarded at this time. Any items (rice, chile rellano, shredded chicken, taquitos) that were made today were relocated into cold top-unit at cookline.
Ensure all potentially hazardous food is maintained at proper holding temperature.

Violation Description: Potentially hazardous food shall be held at or below 41°F / 45°F or at or above 135°F. Potentially hazardous food removed from proper holding temperature during preparation must be returned to proper temperature within 2 hours. Potentially hazardous food shall be received at proper temperature without evidence of temperature abuse. (113996, 113998, 114037)

24. VERMIN PROOFING, AIR CURTAINS, SELF-CLOSING DOORS

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Observed unapproved snap trap below preparation sink and chip hot holding unit at waitress station. Remove unapproved snap traps and use approved pest control methods.

Violation Description: Each food facility shall be constructed, equipped, maintained, and operated to prevent the entrance and harborage of animals, including birds and vermin. (114259, 114259.2, 114259.3)



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28. FOOD SEPARATED AND PROTECTED FROM CONTAMINATION

POINTS

2

Inspector Comments: Observed several food items inside cold top unit and walk-in cooler without lids or covering. Ensure all food stored below the first shelf are protected from any possible contamination.

Violation Description: All food shall be separated and protected from contamination. (113984, 113986, 114060, 114067(a, d, e), 114069(a, d), 114073, 114077, 114089.1(c), 114143(c))

34. UTENSILS AND EQUIPMENT APPROVED, GOOD REPAIR

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Measured walk-in cooler holding food at 44F-50F. This unit is not approved for use until repaired to hold potentially hazardous food at 41F or below and verified by a member of this Department. Impound tag posted.

Observed torn door gasket and missing door panel inside cold top unit at cookline. Repair cold top unit in an approved manner.

Violation Description: All utensils and equipment shall be approved and in good repair. (114130, 114130.1-114130.6, 114132, 114133, 114137, 114175, 114177, 114257)

37. EQUIPMENT, UTENSILS, LINENS: STORAGE AND USE

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Observed the following:

- 1) Several dishes stored in dry storage shelving and in kitchen with an accumulation of dust and debris. ENSure all dishes being stored are maintained clean
- 2) Scoops handles stored on food inside bulk food containers. Properly store scoops in a manner to prevent the handle from touching the food surface and maintain scoops clean.
- 3) Mop stored mop side up. Properly store mop side down to prevent any possible contamination of the handle.

Violation Description: Utensils and equipment shall be handled and stored in an approved manner, protected from contamination. All clean and soiled linen shall be properly stored. (114067(h), 114074, 114081, 114083, 114119, 114121, 114143(a-b), 114161, 114172, 114178, 114179, 114185, 114185.2, 114185.3, 114185.4, 114185.5)

49. FOOD HANDLER CERTIFICATIONS AVAILABLE, CURRENT, COMPLETE

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Observed expired, unapproved, and missing Food Handler Certificates.

All employees who handle food, utensils, or food equipment shall have a valid Riverside County Food Handler Certificate.

Violation Description: County of Riverside Environmental Health Food Handler Certification(s) are available and current for all employees who prepare, store, or serve exposed food. (Riverside County Ordinance 567)

Overall Inspection Comments

This facility is closed due to immediate health hazard, described as facility not having adequate refrigeration. Facility is to abate violation, eliminating immediate health hazard prior to reopening. Facility to remain closed until verification of violation is abated and permission is granted by this Department. Facility closed sign posted, B placard posted. Do not move, remove, or block placard/sign to avoid penalty. A reinspection has been set for one week (6/28/22). Ensure all violations listed on this report are corrected by this date in order to be re-scored. If you have any questions contact Brittany at (951) 358-5172. No signature captured due to pandemic, inspection report emailed to Cjgprice@aol.com

Did you know that effective January 1, 2018, the California Health and Safety Code was amended to make it easier for food facilities to donate food? Please consider donating your excess food product to a local food bank, pantry, or soup kitchen. As a good faith food donor, you are protected from civil and criminal liability if the food product later causes harm to its recipient, unless the injury is a direct result of gross negligence or intentional misconduct in the preparation or handling of the donated food. See Section 171425 of the Civil Code and Sections 114432 to 114434 inclusive of the Health and Safety Code. For more information visit our website at www.rivcoeh.org.



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Signature

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COVID 19 pandemic.

Sophia
Person in Charge
06/22/2022

Brittany Porto
Environmental Health Specialist
06/22/2022

REASONS FOR IMMEDIATE CLOSURE OF A FOOD FACILITY

Per California Health and Safety Code Section 114409 (a):

"If any imminent health hazard is found, unless the hazard is immediately corrected, an enforcement officer may temporarily suspend the permit and order the food facility immediately closed."

A food facility may be closed for any of the following reasons:

- Overflowing sewage (inside or outside the facility)
- No potable water
- No hot water
- No electricity
- Rodent or insect infestation
- Any other conditions at the facility that may create an imminent public health risk

In addition to the reasons above, Per California Health and Safety Code Section 114411:

"The enforcement agency may, after providing opportunity for a hearing, modify, suspend, or revoke a permit for serious or repeated violations of any requirement of this part or for interference in the performance of the duty of the enforcement officer."

No foil or cardboard
on shelves!



PROPER FOOD STORAGE IN REFRIGERATORS AND FREEZERS

Ready-to-Eat
Food

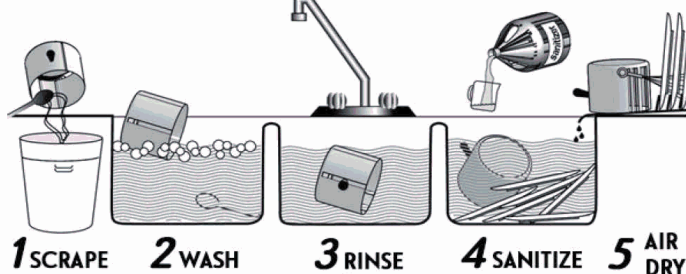
Cooked
Food

Raw Meat,
Raw Eggs

Store cooked and ready-to-eat food above raw food to avoid cross-contamination.
Keep all food covered to prevent contamination

MANUAL SANITIZING OF EQUIPMENT AND UTENSILS USING A THREE COMPARTMENT SINK

1. **SCRAPE**, clean, or soak items as necessary before washing.
2. **WASH** items in detergent and hot water of at least 100°F in the first sink.
3. **RINSE** items in clear water in the second sink.
4. **SANITIZE** by submerging each item in a sanitizing solution in the third sink. Use one of the following sanitizing methods:
 - 100ppm of a chlorine based sanitizer for a minimum of 30 seconds in the solution
 - 200ppm of a quaternary ammonium based sanitizer for a minimum of 60 seconds in the solution
 - 25ppm of an iodine based sanitizer for a minimum of 60 seconds in the solution
 - Water at a temperature of 171°F for a minimum of 30 seconds in solution
5. **AIR DRY** all items on the drain board.



PROPER COOLING OF FOOD IN YOUR FACILITY

Potentially hazardous foods should always be rapidly cooled.

TIME IS THE KEY FACTOR IN PROPER COOLING

- Foods must cool from 135°F to 70°F in 2 hours or less
- Foods must cool from 70°F to 41°F in 4 hours or less

Use one of the following methods to cool food properly:

- Break large foods down into smaller portions and place in shallow pans no more than 4 inches deep. Metal pans cool better than glass or plastic pans.
- Add ice as an ingredient to replace water used in the recipe.
- Place foods within an ice bath and frequently stir the foods to speed the cooling process.
- Loosely cover foods so that heat and steam can escape during cooling.
- Arrange containers within a refrigeration unit so that air can flow properly around containers.
- Use special equipment like chill paddles or blast chillers to rapidly bring down food temperature.

Use an accurate thermometer to verify the food is being cooled within proper timeframes.

PROPER FOOD THAWING METHODS



1. Under refrigeration
2. In a microwave oven on "defrost"
3. Submerged under cold running water in an approved preparation sink for no longer than 2 hours
4. As part of the cooking process



INTERNAL COOKING TEMPERATURES

Use a probe thermometer to take internal cooking temperatures

135°F for 15 seconds	145°F for 15 seconds	145°F for 15 seconds	145°F for 15 seconds	155°F for 15 seconds	155°F for 15 seconds	165°F for 15 seconds	165°F for 15 seconds

Food temperature cannot be felt - use your probe thermometer!



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