



County of Riverside
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
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FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION FORM

FACILITY NAME RICK'S RESTAURANT				DATE 3/15/2022		TIME IN 10:00 AM		TIME OUT 11:45 AM	
ADDRESS 1973 N PALM CANYON DR, Palm Springs, CA 92262				FACILITY DESCRIPTION Not Applicable					
PERMIT HOLDER RICK SEIDNER				EMAIL ricksrestaurant@yahoo.com				Major Violations 2	
PERMIT # PR0004023	EXPIRATION DATE 05/31/2023	SERVICE Routine inspection	REINSPECTION DATE 7/15/2022	FACILITY PHONE # (760)416-0090	PE 3621	DISTRICT 0021	INSPECTOR NAME Jazmine Celis	Points Deducted 20	

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 80

☒ 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
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/A	1. Food safety certification W. Mahaffey EXP 1/31/25- ServSafe			2
EMPLOYEE HEALTH AND HYGIENIC PRACTICES					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In		2. Communicable disease; reporting, restrictions and exclusions		4	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	3. No persistent discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth			2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	4. Proper eating, tasting, drinking or tobacco use	+		2
PREVENTING CONTAMINATION BY HANDS					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	5. Hands clean and properly washed; gloves used properly		4	2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In		6. Adequate handwashing facilities supplied and accessible			2
TIME AND TEMPERATURE RELATIONSHIPS					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	N/A	7. Proper hot and cold holding temperatures	+	4 2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	N/A	8. Time as a public health control; procedures and records		4 2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	N/A	9. Proper cooling methods		4 2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	N/A	10. Proper cooking time and temperature		4 2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	N/A	11. Proper reheating procedures for hot holding		4
PROTECTION FROM CONTAMINATION					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	N/A	12. Returned and re-service of food		2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In		13. Food: unadulterated, no spoilage, no contamination	+	4	2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	N/A	14. Food contact surfaces: clean and sanitized		4 2

FOOD FROM APPROVED SOURCES			COS	MAJ	OUT
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In		15. Food obtained from approved sources		4	2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	N/A	16. Compliance with shell stock tags, condition, display		2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In	N/O	N/A	17. Compliance with Gulf Oyster regulations		2
CONFORMANCE WITH APPROVED PROCEDURES					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In		N/A	18. Compliance with variance, specialized process, and HACCP plan		2
CONSUMER ADVISORY					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In		N/A	19. Written disclosure and reminder statements provided for raw or undercooked foods		1
SCHOOL AND HEALTHCARE PROHIBITED FOODS					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In		N/A	20. Licensed health care facilities / public and private schools; prohibited foods not offered	4	2
WATER / HOT WATER					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In			21. Hot and cold water available	4	2
			Water Temperature 120°F		
LIQUID WASTE DISPOSAL					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In			22. Sewage and wastewater properly disposed	4	2
VERMIN					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In			23. No rodents, insects, birds, or animals	4	2
<input checked="" type="radio"/> 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		1
55. Impound		



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4. PROPER EATING, TASTING, DRINKING OR TOBACCO USE

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: Observed an employee actively eating in the area surrounding the dish machine.

-Employees shall not eat, drink, or use tobacco in any food-related area where contamination may result.

Corrective Action: The employee was instructed to relocate to a designated area away from food prep and washing areas.

Violation Description: No employees shall eat, drink, or smoke in any work area. (113977)

7. PROPER HOT & COLD HOLDING TEMPERATURES

⚠ CRITICAL ⚠

POINTS

4

Inspector Comments: Observed the following items held at the cold top/reach in refrigerator located across from the cook's line flat top grill:

-raw beef, fish, and chicken at 53-57F

-sliced tomatoes at 61F

-sliced cheeses at 63F

-cut melons at 53-57 F

Per employee, the items were taken from the walk-in cooler and placed in the unit approximately 4 hours prior. The ambient temperature of the unit was observed to be 47F. Discontinue storing potentially hazardous foods (PHFs) in this unit outside of a proper ice bath until the unit was been repaired to hold PHFs at/below 41F.

Corrective Action: All items were voluntarily discarded. See item #54. All remaining potentially hazardous foods (PHFs) were relocated to an ice bath inside the unit. Maintain all PHFs at/below 41F or at/above 135F.

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)

13. FOOD: UNADULTERATED, NO SPOILAGE, NO CONTAMINATION

⚠ CRITICAL ⚠

POINTS

4

Inspector Comments: Observed a fly land directly on biscuit dough located at the rear prep area.

-All food shall be stored, prepared, displayed or held so that it is protected from contamination.

Corrective Action: Biscuit dough was voluntarily discarded. Coverage was provided for the bowl of dough.

Violation Description: All food shall be manufactured, produced, prepared, compounded, packed, stored, transported, kept for sale, and served to be pure and free from adulteration, spoilage, and contamination. Food shall be fully fit for human consumption. (113967, 113976, 113980, 113982, 113988, 113990, 114035, 114254.3)

14. FOOD CONTACT SURFACES; CLEAN AND SANITIZED

POINTS

2

Inspector Comments: Observed the blade of the can opener to have an accumulation of old food debris.

-Maintain all food contact surfaces are clean and sanitized prior to storage and at least every 4 hours if used for potentially hazardous foods (PHFs).

Violation Description: All food contact surfaces of utensils and equipment shall be properly cleaned and sanitized. Food contact surfaces shall be clean to the sight and touch, no accumulation of dust, dirt, food residue, and other debris. (114097, 114099.1, 114099.2, 114099.4, 114099.6, 114099.7, 114101(b-d), 114105, 114109, 114111, 114113, 114115, 114117, 114118, 114123, 114125(b), 114130.2, 114130.5, 114141)

19. WRITTEN DISCLOSURE AND REMINDER STATEMENTS PROVIDED

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: Observed written disclosure and reminder to be missing from the menu.

When a facility serves raw or undercooked animal products, a DISCLOSURE and a REMINDER shall be provided in such a way that all customers are likely to view them.

1. A "DISCLOSURE" is a written statement indicating which food(s) is/are served raw or undercooked.

2. A "REMINDER" is a statement which indicates that consuming raw or undercooked animal products may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions or a statement that such food safety information is available upon request.

Violation Description: When a facility serves raw or undercooked animal products, a written disclosure statement and a written reminder shall be provided to inform consumers of the significantly increased risk of consuming these foods. (114012, 114093)



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23. NO RODENTS, INSECTS, BIRDS, OR ANIMALS

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: 1.Observed multiple old rodent droppings on the floor in the rear food storage area. A pest control service receipt was provided from January 2022. A thorough inspection was conducted and no other evidence was observed.

- a.) Eliminate the activity of rodents from the facility by using only approved methods.
- b.) Remove all evidence of the activity and thoroughly clean and sanitize all affected surfaces.
- c.) Seal all gaps to eliminate potential harborage sites. Construct, equip, maintain and operate the food facility so as to prevent the entrance and harborage of animals, birds and vermin including, but not limited to, rodents and insects.

2.Observed flies in the facility.

Remove fly activity. Properly equip the facility with an approved insect exclusion device to eliminate the fruit fly activity (i.e no sticky strips, no zapping devices).Maintain the device in an area away from food storage, prep, and ware wash areas to ensure contamination is prevented.

Violation Description: Each food facility shall be kept free of vermin. Only approved animals, such as service animals or decorative fish in aquariums, are permitted inside a food facility. (114259.1, 114259.4, 114259.5)

28. FOOD SEPARATED AND PROTECTED FROM CONTAMINATION

POINTS

2

Inspector Comments: 1.Observed a container of raw chicken stored adjacent to containers of raw beef in the reach in cooler.

-Discontinue this method of storage. Ensure that raw animal products are stored in order of cooking temperatures (i.e. highest cooking temperature stored on the bottom shelf).

2.Observed multiple containers of food to be uncovered at the cold top and inside the reach in coolers at the cook's line.

-Discontinue this method of storage. Provide adequate coverage and storage areas for all items to reduce the risk of cross contamination.

3.Observed a squeeze bottle of sour cream stored in contact with produce in the cold top.

-Maintain lids for all food items not actively being prepared.

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

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Inspector Comments: Remove the accumulation of ice build up inside the walk-in freezer.

-Maintain the freezer in good repair.

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

36. EQUIPMENT / UTENSILS PROPERLY INSTALLED, CLEAN;ADEQUATE CAPACITY

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Remove the debris/buildup from the following areas:

- inside cabinets throughout the facility
- between and under the cooking equipment
- shelves of reach in coolers

Violation Description: All utensils and equipment shall be clean and installed in an approved manner. Equipment type and quantity shall be adequate for the operation.(114115, 114130.3, 114139, 114153, 114163, 114165, 114167, 114169, 114175, 114180, 114182, 114257)

38. ADEQUATE VENTILATION & LIGHTING: DESIGNATED AREAS; USE

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: Provide a shatterproof light shield for the light bulb located in the walk-in refrigerator.

Violation Description: Mechanical exhaust ventilation shall be provided to remove toxic gases, heat, grease, vapors, and smoke. All areas of a food facility shall have sufficient ventilation to facilitate proper food storage and provide a reasonable condition of comfort for each employee. Toilet rooms shall be vented to the outside air by a screened openable window, an air shaft, or a light-switch activated exhaust fan. Adequate lighting shall be provided in all areas to facilitate cleaning and inspection. Light fixtures in areas where open food is stored, served, prepared, and where utensils are washed shall be of shatterproof construction or protected with light shields. (114149, 114149.1, 114149.2, 114149.3, 114252, 114252.1)



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40. WIPING CLOTHS: PROPERLY USED AND STORED

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: Observed wiping cloths stored on the counters throughout the cook's line. Sanitizer inside wiping cloth buckets was observed to be turbid and measured to be 200 ppm chlorine.
-Maintain all wiping cloths inside sanitizer buckets at the approved sanitizer concentrations (100 ppm chlorine & 200 ppm quaternary ammonium).

Violation Description: Wiping cloths used to clean food spills shall be used only once, unless stored in an approved concentration of sanitizer solution and laundered daily. (114135, 114185.1, 114185.3(d-e))

44. PREMISES; PERSONAL ITEM STORAGE AND CLEANING ITEM STORAGE

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: Observed an employee drink stored at the cook's line among food prep items.
-All personal drinks are to be maintained covered and stored in a manner to prevent contamination. Maintain personal items in an area away from food prep.

Violation Description: Lockers or another approved area for personal belongings shall be provided. The premises of each food facility shall be kept clean and free of litter and items that are unnecessary to the operation or maintenance of the facility. At least one janitorial sink with hot and cold running water shall be provided. Cleaning supplies and equipment shall be stored separate from food and food-related areas. Mops shall be stored in such a way that allows air-drying. (114123, 114256, 114256.1, 114256.2, 114256.4, 114257.1, 114279, 114281, 114282)

54. VOLUNTARY CONDEMNATION

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: The following items were voluntary discarded:

- raw beef ~ 2 lb
- raw chicken ~ 1/2 lb
- raw fish ~1/2 lb
- sliced tomatoes ~10 oz
- cut watermelon ~2 oz
- cut honey dew ~2 oz
- cut cantaloupe ~ 2 oz
- raw biscuit dough ~ 2 oz

Violation Description: I, as the person in charge, hereby voluntarily agree to the condemnation and destruction of the food(s) listed in this report, said food(s) being alleged unfit for human consumption and in violation of California Health and Safety Code, Section 113980. I hereby release the County of Riverside, Department of Environmental Health and authorized agents from any and all responsibility.

Overall Inspection Comments

A joint inspection was conducted with C. Shay.

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

Signature not captured due to
COVID 19 pandemic.

Email
Person in Charge
03/15/2022

Jazmine Celis
Environmental Health Specialist
03/15/2022

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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