



County of Riverside  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
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FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION FORM

FACILITY NAME <b>Aldo's Mexican Food</b>				DATE 8/24/2022		TIME IN 7:55 AM		TIME OUT 9:00 AM	
ADDRESS 49225 Grapefruit Blvd #1, Coachella, CA 92236				FACILITY DESCRIPTION Not Applicable					
PERMIT HOLDER Mariana Avalos Sillas				EMAIL jrmontano888@gmail.com				Major Violations 1	
PERMIT # PR0049794	EXPIRATION DATE 07/31/2023	SERVICE Routine inspection	REINSPECTION DATE 12/24/2022	FACILITY PHONE # Not Captured	PE 3620	DISTRICT 0037	INSPECTOR NAME Tiffany Su	Points Deducted 16	

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

**B**  
SCORE 84

☒ 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 CPFM: Abel Avalos, exp. 7/28/25			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					
In	N/O	N/A	7. Proper hot and cold holding temperatures	4	2
In	N/O	N/A	8. Time as a public health control; procedures and records	4	2
In	N/O	N/A	9. Proper cooling methods	4	2
In	N/O	N/A	10. Proper cooking time and temperature	4	2
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
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 bleach 100ppm, bucket /	4	2

FOOD FROM APPROVED SOURCES			COS	MAJ	OUT
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In		15. Food obtained from approved sources		4	2
In	N/O	N/A	16. Compliance with shell stock tags, condition, display		2
In	N/O	N/A	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					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> In		21. Hot and cold water available Water Temperature 120°F		4	2
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
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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7. PROPER HOT & COLD HOLDING TEMPERATURES

⚠ CRITICAL ⚠

POINTS

4

**Inspector Comments:** Maintain all potentially hazardous foods at 41F or below, or at 135F or above. Measured the following at prep cooler:

- 1 bin of cooked chicken at 58.1F,
- 1 bin of cooked beef at 60.1F,
- 1 bin of raw or cooked pork at 57F,
- 1 bin of shredded pork/beef at 57.2F,
- 1 bin of shredded cheddar at 58.6F,
- 1 tray of raw-shelled eggs at 58.6F.

\*REPEAT VIOLATION\*

Measured the following at Coke cooler near drive-through:  
- Several bags of cooked chili pepper at 46.2F.

Per operator, the above foods were from the day before. Operator voluntarily discarded the above foods.

**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)

9. PROPER COOLING METHODS

POINTS

2

**Inspector Comments:** All potentially hazardous food shall be RAPIDLY cooled from 135°F to 70°F, within 2 hours, and then from 70°F to 41°F, within 4 hours. Cooling shall be by one or more of the following methods: in shallow containers; separating food into smaller portions; adding ice as an ingredient; using an ice bath, stirring frequently; using rapid cooling equipment; or using containers that facilitate heat transfer.

Observed large pot of cooked meat sitting on table at cook line, unattended. Per operator, meat was cooked about 30 minutes ago. Instructed operator to follow proper cooling procedure.

**Violation Description:** All potentially hazardous food shall be rapidly cooled from 135°F to 70°F within 2 hours, and then from 70°F to 41°F, within 4 hours. Cooling shall be by one or more of the following methods: in shallow containers; separating food into smaller portions; adding ice as an ingredient; using an ice bath, stirring frequently; using rapid cooling equipment; or, using containers that facilitate heat transfer. (114002, 114002.1)

13. FOOD: UNADULTERATED, NO SPOILAGE, NO CONTAMINATION

POINTS

2

**Inspector Comments:** Observed parts of a blue plastic bag floating inside large pot of soup. Operator voluntarily discarded this food.

**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)

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

POINTS

1

**Inspector Comments:** \*REPEAT VIOLATION\*

1) Exterior doors shall be self-closing, without gaps or openings, and maintained closed when not actively in use to prevent vermin entry. Observed back delivery door does not self-close.

\*REPEAT VIOLATION\*

2) Air curtains shall operate in conjunction with the microswitch to turn on when the door/window is open and turn off when the door/window closes. Observed drive-through window and back delivery door air curtains to be off/broken when door/window opens.

**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: \*REPEAT VIOLATION\*

- 1) Store all foods 6" off the floor. Observed several buckets and pots of food stored on the floor at walk-in cooler, walk-in freezer, and near cook line.
- 2) Replace cups with a ladle that has a long handle for soups and salsas. Ensure handles do not touch food. Observed cups being used as scoops for buckets of salsa, soup, etc. at kitchen.
- 3) Discontinue storing ice scoop inside ice chest at soda machine at drive-through. Observed scoop handle touching ice.

**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: \*REPEAT VIOLATION\*

1. Discontinue using Coke cooler for potentially hazardous foods as this cooler is not designed for it. Observed several foods in temperature danger zone (see violation #7).
  2. Repair prep cooler to hold foods at 41F or below. Observed ambient temperature of this cooler to be 60-70F.
- \*REPEAT VIOLATION\*
3. Eliminate gap between filters at canopy hood (this can cause a grease fire).
  4. Secure floor sink cover at cook line. Observed this cover to be loose, causing a trip or fall hazard.

**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: Clean and maintain the following:

- Interior and exterior of all microwaves,
- Interior of ice machine in the back,
- Walk-in freezer fan covers.

**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)

37. EQUIPMENT, UTENSILS, LINENS: STORAGE AND USE

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Store all utensils in a protective manner. Observed the following:

- Ice scoop stored on top of ice machine at kitchen.
- Knife jammed between prep cooler and its lid at kitchen.

**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)

40. WIPING CLOTHS: PROPERLY USED AND STORED

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: 1) Maintain wiping cloths in sanitizer solution, or in covered laundry bin. Observed several soiled cloths on cutting board and prep tables. Observed employee to wipe gloved hands with cloth and then throw the cloth onto cutting board. Education provided.

- 2) Discontinue hanging wiping cloths over hand sink splash guard. Observed at hand sink next to 3-comp sink.
- 3) Provide sanitizer solution at cook line - observed missing at time of inspection. This is where most of the violations are occurring.

**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))



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49. FOOD HANDLER CERTIFICATIONS AVAILABLE, CURRENT, COMPLETE

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: \*REPEAT VIOLATION\*

All employees who handle food, utensils, or food equipment shall have a valid Riverside County Food Handler Certificate within one week of commencing work. Food Handler Certificates for all food employees shall be onsite or otherwise made available for inspection. Observed most certificates expired, except for one.

**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

At this time this facility has failed to meet standards for an A (B = 89 to 80). Removed "A" placard and "B" grade posted. Do not remove, relocate, or block placards. Failure to comply will result in immediate citation. Future downgrades may result in office hearings, citations, re-inspection fees, suspension hearings and/or other disciplinary action(s). Operator has a minimum of one week to comply unless otherwise stated. A follow-up inspection will be conducted then. If an extension is needed, it is the owner's responsibility to notify this office prior to inspection date. If additional inspections are required, a fee of \$199.00 (or current county hourly rate) will apply. 760-863-8287.

**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](http://www.rivcoeh.org).

Signature

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COVID 19 pandemic.

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## 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

<b>135°F</b> for 15 seconds	<b>145°F</b> for 15 seconds	<b>145°F</b> for 15 seconds	<b>145°F</b> for 15 seconds	<b>155°F</b> for 15 seconds	<b>155°F</b> for 15 seconds	<b>165°F</b> for 15 seconds	<b>165°F</b> for 15 seconds

Food temperature cannot be felt - use your probe thermometer!



## FOR QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS CONTACT YOUR LOCAL AREA OFFICE

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