



County of Riverside
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
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FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION FORM

FACILITY NAME Poly Mex Food & Restaurant				DATE 5/17/2022		TIME IN 9:45 AM		TIME OUT 12:25 PM	
ADDRESS 4038 Park Ave, Riverside, CA 92507				FACILITY DESCRIPTION Not Applicable					
PERMIT HOLDER Star Lee Lo				EMAIL leelo5@yahoo.com				Major Violations 1	
PERMIT # PR0002692	EXPIRATION DATE 11/30/2022	SERVICE Routine inspection	REINSPECTION DATE 9/17/2022	FACILITY PHONE # (951)344-1090	PE 3620	DISTRICT 0002	INSPECTOR NAME Brittany Porto		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			2	
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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
Discussed 200ppm quat / Discussed min 100F						

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 3-comp 130°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		
55. Impound		



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6. ADEQUATE HANDWASHING FACILITIES SUPPLIED & ACCESSIBLE

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: Observed paper towels stored on top of dispenser in kitchen and employee restroom. Ensure all handwashing facilities are maintained fully stocked with soap and paper towels in approved dispensers.

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 cooked meat in two bags inside single door cooler adjacent to hand sink at 55F-58F. All other items inside cooler were holding proper temperature. Employee stated meat was frozen and was placed on counter for two hours to thaw. Discussed proper thawing methods with person in charge at this time. 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)

14. FOOD CONTACT SURFACES; CLEAN AND SANITIZED

POINTS

2

Inspector Comments: Observed soiled equipment stored as clean throughout facility. Properly clean and sanitize all equipment and maintain clean to prevent any possible contamination.

Observed moldy styrofoam lid stored inside walk-in cooler. Person in charge discarded styrofoam lid at this time. Ensure all equipment inside facility is maintained clean to sight and touch.

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)

21. HOT AND COLD WATER AVAILABLE

POINTS

2

Inspector Comments: Observed preparation and restroom hand sink hot water faucet not functioning. Repair sinks to provide both cold and hot water at all times.
Handwashing sinks must provide warm water of at least 100°F.

Violation Description: An adequate, protected, pressurized, potable supply of hot water and cold water shall be provided at all times. Hot water of at least 120°F must be provided for facilities with unpackaged food or packaged potentially hazardous food. Handwashing facilities shall be equipped to provide warm water for at least 15 seconds. (113953(c), 114189, 114192 (a,d), 114192.1, 114195)

23. NO RODENTS, INSECTS, BIRDS, OR ANIMALS

POINTS

2

Inspector Comments: Observed two dead roaches in metal insert at clean dishes storage table in back area. Person in charge discarded carcasses and was instructed to properly wash, rinse, and sanitize inserts. Person in charge stated pest control came out in the beginning of April and contacted pest control company at time of inspection to treat facility tomorrow.

Observed two rodent droppings in customer area. Properly treat facility and provide inspector with pest control invoice by 5/18/22. Facility shall be maintained free of vermin at all times.

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)

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

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Observed gap at back door. Properly seal door to prevent vermin entry.

Observed unapproved fly swatter stored throughout facility. Remove fly swatters and use approved pest control methods for fly control.

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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34. UTENSILS AND EQUIPMENT APPROVED, GOOD REPAIR

POINTS

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Inspector Comments: Observed torn door gasket of 2-door freezer. Replace damaged door gasket 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 scoop for rice stored in 81F degree water adjacent to rice cooker. When storing utensil in water the water shall be maintained at 135F or higher or in running water.

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)

39. THERMOMETERS PROVIDED AND ACCURATE

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Observed missing thermometer inside reach-in coolers. Properly install thermometer inside warmest part of cooler to ensure proper holding temperature.

Violation Description: An accurate, easily readable metal probe thermometer suitable for measuring temperature of food shall be available. A thermometer shall be provided for each refrigeration unit. (114157, 114159)

41. PLUMBING: PROPERLY INSTALLED, GOOD REPAIR

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Observed kitchen hand sink not properly draining at start of inspection. Person in charge corrected hand sink at this time. Ensure all sinks are properly draining to floor sinks in an approved manner.

Violation Description: All plumbing shall be installed in compliance with local plumbing ordinances, shall be maintained so as to prevent any contamination, and shall be kept clean, fully operative, and in good repair. All food-related equipment drain lines must discharge through an approved indirect connection. Any hose used for conveying potable water shall be made from approved material and used for no other purpose. (114171, 114189.1, 114190, 114192(b,c), 114193, 114193.1, 114199, 114201, 114269)

44. PREMISES; PERSONAL ITEM STORAGE AND CLEANING ITEM STORAGE

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Observed an accumulation of boxes and personal items stored throughout facility and outside of facility. Store all personal items in lockers or other approved designated area.

Observed an accumulation of unused equipment. Remove all unused equipment to ensure adequate storage.

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)

45. FLOORS, WALLS, CEILING: GOOD REPAIR / FULLY ENCLOSED

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Observed the following:

1) Missing dry wall adjacent to prep table in back area. Person in charge stated he is making a larger hole in wall to make a door. Contact building and safety for approval.

2) Holes in ceiling tiles in customer area. Replace damaged ceiling tiles.

3) Missing air conditioner vent cover adjacent to front register. properly install vent cover to prevent vermin entry.

Violation Description: The floors, walls, ceilings finishes must be of an approved material, durable, smooth, nonabsorbent, and easily cleanable. Food facilities shall be fully enclosed. (114143 (d), 114257, 114266, 114268, 114271, 114272)



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46. FLOORS, WALLS, AND CEILINGS: CLEAN

POINTS

1

Inspector Comments: Observed an accumulation of debris on floor throughout facility. Properly clean and sanitize floor in an approved manner.

Violation Description: Floors, walls, and ceilings shall be maintained clean. (114257, 114268.1)

Overall Inspection Comments

This facility has failed to meet the minimum sanitation requirements of the California Health and Safety Code (80 = B). Due to repeated failed inspections within a two year period an Administrative Hearing will be (held at 4065 County Circle Dr, suite 104 on 5/23/22 at 9:00). "B" card posted, do not move, remove or block placards to avoid penalty. "A" card removed. "B" card must remain posted until removed by an employee of this Department. If you have any questions contact Brittany at (951) 358-5172. No signature captured due to pandemic, inspection report emailed to Leelo5@yahoo.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.

Signature

Signature not captured due to
COVID 19 pandemic.

Star Lee Lo
Person in Charge
05/17/2022

Brittany Porto
Environmental Health Specialist
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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

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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