



TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION REPORT

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Establishment Name La Cocina Mexican Restaurant Type of Establishment ☒ Farmer's Market Food Unit ☐ Permanent ☐ Mobile
Address 8484 Sparta Pike ☐ Temporary ☐ Seasonal
City Watertown Time in 02:44 PM AM / PM Time out 03:39 PM AM / PM
Inspection Date 07/01/2024 Establishment # 605258446 Embargoed 35
Purpose of Inspection ☒ Routine ☐ Follow-up ☐ Complaint ☐ Preliminary ☐ Consultation/Other
Risk Category ☐ 1 ☒ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 Follow-up Required ☒ Yes ☐ No Number of Seats 62

Risk Factors are food preparation practices and employee behaviors most commonly reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as contributing factors in foodborne illness outbreaks. Public Health interventions are control measures to prevent illness or injury.

FOODBORNE ILLNESS RISK FACTORS AND PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

(Mark designated compliance status (IN, OUT, NA, NO) for each numbered item. For items marked OUT, mark COS or R for each item as applicable. Deduct points for category or subcategory.)

IN=in compliance					OUT=not in compliance					NA=not applicable					NO=not observed					COS=corrected on-site during inspection					R=repeat (violation of the same code provision)				
Compliance Status										COS					R					WT									
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Supervision																								
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Person in charge present, demonstrates knowledge, and performs duties					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5																	
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Employee Health																								
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Management and food employee awareness, reporting					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5																	
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Proper use of restriction and exclusion					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>																		
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Good Hygienic Practices																								
4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Proper eating, tasting, drinking, or tobacco use					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5																	
5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	No discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>																		
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Preventing Contamination by Hands																								
6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	Hands clean and properly washed					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5																	
7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	No bare hand contact with ready-to-eat foods or approved alternate procedures followed					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>																		
8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Handwashing sinks properly supplied and accessible					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2																	
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Approved Source																								
9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Food obtained from approved source					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>																		
10	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Food received at proper temperature					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5																	
11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Food in good condition, safe, and unadulterated					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>																		
12	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Required records available: shell stock tags, parasite destruction					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>																		
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Protection from Contamination																								
13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Food separated and protected					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4																	
14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Food-contact surfaces: cleaned and sanitized					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5																	
15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Proper disposition of unsafe food, returned food not re-served					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2																	

Compliance Status										COS					R					WT				
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Cooking and Reheating of Time/Temperature Control For Safety (TCS) Foods																			
16	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Proper cooking time and temperatures					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5												
17	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Proper reheating procedures for hot holding					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>													
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Cooling and Holding, Date Marking, and Time as a Public Health Control																			
18	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Proper cooling time and temperature					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5												
19	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Proper hot holding temperatures					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>													
20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Proper cold holding temperatures					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>													
21	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Proper date marking and disposition					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>													
22	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Time as a public health control: procedures and records					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>													
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Consumer Advisory																			
23	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Consumer advisory provided for raw and undercooked food					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4												
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Highly Susceptible Populations																			
24	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Pasteurized foods used; prohibited foods not offered					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5												
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Chemicals																			
25	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Food additives: approved and properly used					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5												
26	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Toxic substances properly identified, stored, used					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>													
	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Conformance with Approved Procedures																			
27	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Compliance with variance, specialized process, and HACCP plan					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5												

Good Retail Practices are preventive measures to control the introduction of pathogens, chemicals, and physical objects into foods.

GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES

OUT=not in compliance					COS=corrected on-site during inspection					R=repeat (violation of the same code provision)					
Compliance Status					COS	R	WT	Compliance Status					COS	R	WT
	OUT	Safe Food and Water							OUT	Utensils and Equipment					
28	<input type="radio"/>	Pasteurized eggs used where required			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	45	<input type="radio"/>	Food and nonfood-contact surfaces cleanable, properly designed, constructed, and used			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1
29	<input type="radio"/>	Water and ice from approved source			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	2	46	<input type="radio"/>	Warewashing facilities, installed, maintained, used, test strips			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1
30	<input type="radio"/>	Variance obtained for specialized processing methods			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	47	<input type="radio"/>	Nonfood-contact surfaces clean			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1
	OUT	Food Temperature Control							OUT	Physical Facilities					
31	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	2	48	<input type="radio"/>	Hot and cold water available; adequate pressure			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	2
32	<input type="radio"/>	Plant food properly cooked for hot holding			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	49	<input type="radio"/>	Plumbing installed; proper backflow devices			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	2
33	<input type="radio"/>	Approved thawing methods used			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	50	<input type="radio"/>	Sewage and waste water properly disposed			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	2
34	<input type="radio"/>	Thermometers provided and accurate			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	51	<input type="radio"/>	Toilet facilities: properly constructed, supplied, cleaned			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1
	OUT	Food Identification						<td colspan="3">Administrative Items</td> <td colspan="3"></td>	Administrative Items						
35	<input type="radio"/>	Food properly labeled; original container; required records available			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	52	<input type="radio"/>	Garbage/refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1
	OUT	Prevention of Food Contamination						53	<input type="radio"/>	Physical facilities installed, maintained, and clean			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1
36	<input type="radio"/>	Insects, rodents, and animals not present			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	2	54	<input type="radio"/>	Adequate ventilation and lighting; designated areas used			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1
37	<input type="radio"/>	Contamination prevented during food preparation, storage & display			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1		OUT						
38	<input type="radio"/>	Personal cleanliness			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	55	<input type="radio"/>	Current permit posted			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	0
39	<input type="radio"/>	Wiping cloths, properly used and stored			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	56	<input type="radio"/>	Most recent inspection posted			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	0
40	<input type="radio"/>	Washing fruits and vegetables			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	Compliance Status					YES	NO	WT
	OUT	Proper Use of Utensils						Non-Smokers Protection Act							
41	<input type="radio"/>	In-use utensils; properly stored			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	57		Compliance with TN Non-Smoker Protection Act			<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	0
42	<input type="radio"/>	Utensils, equipment and linens; properly stored, dried, handled			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	58		Tobacco products offered for sale			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	0
43	<input type="radio"/>	Single-use/single-service articles; properly stored, used			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1	59		If tobacco products are sold, NSPA survey completed			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
44	<input type="radio"/>	Gloves used properly			<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1								

Failure to correct any violations of risk factor items within ten (10) days may result in suspension of your food service establishment permit. Repeated violation of an identical risk factor may result in revocation of your food service establishment permit. Items identified as constituting imminent health hazards shall be corrected immediately or operations shall cease. You are required to post the food service establishment permit in a conspicuous manner and post the most recent inspection report in a conspicuous manner. You have the right to request a hearing regarding this report by filing a written request with the Commissioner within ten (10) days of the date of this report. T.C.A. sections 68-14-703, 68-14-706, 68-14-709, 68-14-711, 68-14-715, 68-14-716, 4-5-329.

Signature of Person In Charge [Signature] Date 07/01/2024 Signature of Environmental Health Specialist [Signature] Date 07/01/2024

**** Additional food safety information can be found on our website, <http://tn.gov/health/article/eh-foodservice> ****

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FOOD INSPECTION DATA**



Establishment Information

Establishment Name: La Cocina Mexican Restaurant
Establishment Number #: 605258446

NSPA Survey – To be completed if #57 is "No"

Age-restricted venue does not affirmatively restrict access to its buildings or facilities at all times to persons who are twenty-one (21) years of age or older.	
Age-restricted venue does not require each person attempting to gain entry to submit acceptable form of identification.	
"No Smoking" signs or the international "Non-Smoking" symbol are not conspicuously posted at every entrance.	
Garage type doors in non-enclosed areas are not completely open.	
Tents or awnings with removable sides or vents in non-enclosed areas are not completely removed or open.	
Smoke from non-enclosed areas is infiltrating into areas where smoking is prohibited.	
Smoking observed where smoking is prohibited by the Act.	

Warewashing Info

Machine Name	Sanitizer Type	PPM	Temperature (Fahrenheit)
Dish machine	Cl	75	
3 comp sink not set up	Cl		

Equipment Temperature

Description	Temperature (Fahrenheit)
Black ric	38
Flat top cooler drawer	39
Pc	39
Pc cooler drawer	33

Food Temperature

Description	State of Food	Temperature (Fahrenheit)
Milk black ric	Cold Holding	38
Salsa ice bath	Cold Holding	42
Rice steam table	Hot Holding	149
Shredded chicken steam table	Hot Holding	154
Shredded lettuce pc	Cold Holding	40
Pico prepped 2 hrs pc	Cooling	46
Cooked chicken tamale pc cooler drawer	Cold Holding	34
Cooked chicken hot holding on grill	Hot Holding	151
Raw shrimp flat top cooler drawer	Cold Holding	39
Raw chicken flat top cooler drawer	Cold Holding	40
Chicken cooked 2 hours slide door ric	Cooling	47
Refried beans slide door ric	Cooling	47
Queso prepped 2 hours slide door ric	Cooling	45
Heated peppers to side of stove	Cooling	127

Observed Violations

Total # 3

Repeated # 0

18: Refried beans placed in deep pan with lid completely covering temp 47F. Pic stated they were cooked last night. Cos by embargoing 35 lbs, discussed using shallow pans and ice to rapidly cool cooked foods from 135F to 41F or less within 6 hours.

Violation has been observed during two consecutive routine inspections. A Food Safety Plan (FSP) template will be emailed to operator to use in gaining control over repeated priority violations. Will offer assistance to operator with FSP.

23: Menu has advisory present. Asterisk used to denote specific items raw or undercooked has severely faded, no specific items denoted either. Cos by pic marking menus to reflect menu items offered raw or undercooked. Pic stated new menus were being ordered soon as well.

31: Refried beans stored in deep pan with lid completely covering. Bowl of heated peppers stored to side of oven once removed from flat top ~30 minutes ago to cool before blending, no use of ice, ice wand, or refrigeration to expedite cooling.

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Comments/Other Observations

- 1: (IN): PIC demonstrates knowledge by correctly answering questions regarding principles applicable to the food operation.
- 2: Pic has knowledge
- 3: (IN) There are no food workers observed working with specific reportable symptoms or illnesses.
- 4: (IN) Employee isn't drinking, eating, or using tobacco in a food preparation area.
- 5: (IN) No employees exhibiting persistent coughing, sneezing, runny nose, or watery eyes.
- 6: Observed employees wash hands as needed
- 7: (IN) Employees are observed using suitable utensils or gloves to prevent bare hand (or arm) contact with ready-to-eat foods.
- 8: (IN): All handsinks are properly equipped and conveniently located for food employee use.
- 9: See food source
- 10: (NO): No food received during inspection.
- 11: (IN) All food was in good, sound condition at time of inspection.
- 12: (NA) Shell stock not used and parasite destruction not required at this establishment.
- 13: (IN) All raw animal food is separated and protected as required.
- 14: (IN) All food contact surfaces of equipment and utensils cleaned and sanitized using approved methods.
- 15: (IN) No unsafe, returned or previously served food served.
- 16: No cooking observed during inspection
- 17: (NO) No TCS foods reheated during inspection.
- 19: All hot tcs foods holding at 135F or higher.
- 20: All non-cooling cold tcs foods holding at 41F or less.
- 21: (IN) Verified date marking system in place for all ready-to-eat TCS foods that are held longer than 24 hours.
- 22: (NA) No food held under time as a public health control.
- 24: (NA) A highly susceptible population is not served.
- 25: (NA) Establishment does not use any additives or sulfites on the premises.
- 26: (IN) All poisonous or toxic items are properly identified, stored, and used.
- 27: (NA) Establishment is not required to have a variance or HACCP plan, performs no special processes.
- 57:
- 58:

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Additional Comments

See last page for additional comments.

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Comments/Other Observations (cont'd)**Additional Comments (cont'd)*****See last page for additional comments.***

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Sources

Source Type:	Food
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Source: Halsey, Ponchos

Source Type:	Water
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Source:	City
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Additional Comments