

**TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
**FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION REPORT**

**SCORE**

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Establishment Name	Los Potros Mexican Restaurant			Type of Establishment	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Permanent <input type="radio"/> Mobile
Address	5611 Ringgold Rd. Suite-A				<input type="radio"/> Temporary <input type="radio"/> Seasonal
City	Chattanooga	Time in	02:00 PM	AM / PM	Time out 03:30 PM AM / PM
Inspection Date	08/22/2023	Establishment #	605249393	Embargoed	55
Purpose of Inspection	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Routine <input type="radio"/> Follow-up <input type="radio"/> Complaint <input type="radio"/> Preliminary <input type="radio"/> Consultation/Other				
Risk Category	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3 <input type="radio"/> 4 Follow-up Required <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No Number of Seats 84				

**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"/>	<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"/>	5	
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"/>		
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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Food separated and protected			<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Proper cooling time and temperature			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Consumer advisory provided for raw and undercooked food			<input 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 checked="" 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																
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 checked="" type="radio"/>	Adequate ventilation and lighting; designated areas used				<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1
37	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Contamination prevented during food preparation, storage & display				<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	1			OUT	Administrative Items						
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"/>	
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"/>	
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, 68-14-708, 68-14-709, 68-14-711, 68-14-715, 68-14-716, 4-5-320.

	08/22/2023		08/22/2023
Signature of Person In Charge	Date	Signature of Environmental Health Specialist	Date

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

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***Establishment Information***

Establishment Name: Los Potros Mexican Restaurant  
Establishment Number #: 605249393

***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)
Triple Sink	Chlorine	50	

***Equipment Temperature***

Description	Temperature ( Fahrenheit)
See Remarks	

***Food Temperature***

Description	State of Food	Temperature ( Fahrenheit)
*Sour Cream (cookline low boy)	Cold Holding	47
*Chicken (cooling drawer)	Cold Holding	48
*Shrimp (cookline)	Cold Holding	56
Rice	Hot Holding	156
Ground Beef	Hot Holding	181
Queso	Hot Holding	135

### Observed Violations

Total # 6

Repeated # 0

13: Raw, TCS foods not stored according to minimum internal cooking temperatures in refrigeration unit. Advised on proper storage of raw animal foods and products were moved at time of inspection. (COS)

20: Sour cream on cookline holding at 47°F. Ice bath set up to properly hold product. Shrimp holding on cookline at 56°F. Product was discarded at time of inspection (Embargoed ~4lbs). Chicken in cooling drawer on cookline holding at 48°F. All TCS foods out of temperature were put in ice baths, or discarded. (Embargoed ~55lbs). PIC contacted refrigeration repair to service or repair cold holding units. Excessive heat was noted inside kitchen at time of inspection (see violation #54). Due to many temperature violations, follow-up scheduled for next day to re-evaluate refrigeration. Establishment closed due to imminent health hazard.

31: Frozen foods in upright freezer unit "soft" to the touch. Freezer must maintain 0°F or below. Adequate temperature control not provided.

34: No probe thermometer (0-220°F).

37: Bulk foods not provided with a lid to protect items in dry storage area.

Personal beverage stored in bulk ice bin.

54: Excessive heat noted in kitchen/prep areas.

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**Comments/Other Observations**

- 1: (IN): ANSI Certified Manager present.
- 2: (IN) An employee health policy is available. PIC aware of symptoms and reportable illnesses per employee illness policy.
- 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: (IN) Observed employees washing hands as needed during inspection. Proper and adequate handwashing observed.
- 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: (IN) Food products obtained from approved sources.
- 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.
- 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) No raw animal foods cooked during inspection.
- 17: (NO) No TCS foods reheated during inspection.
- 18: (NO) No TCS foods observed in the cooling process at time of inspection.
- 19: (IN) TCS foods holding at 135°F or above. See food temperatures listed above.
- 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.
- 23: (IN) Consumer advisory provided for raw or undercooked foods. Disclosure and reminder provided on menu.
- 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: (IN) Establishment does not allow smoking inside facility and is in compliance with the State of TN non-smokers protection act.
- 58: (IN) Tobacco products not sold at establishment.

\*\*\*See page at the end of this document for any violations that could not be displayed in this space.

**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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### ***Additional Comments***