



# TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION REPORT

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Establishment Name Waffle House #1654 Type of Establishment ☒ Farmer's Market Food Unit ☐ Permanent ☐ Mobile  
Address 4343 Hwy 58 ☐ Temporary ☐ Seasonal  
City Chattanooga Time in 09:50 AM AM / PM Time out 10:50 AM AM / PM  
Inspection Date 09/14/2023 Establishment # 605179471 Embargoed 0  
Purpose of Inspection ☒ Routine ☐ Follow-up ☐ Complaint ☐ Preliminary ☐ Consultation/Other  
Risk Category ☐ 1 ☒ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 Follow-up Required ☒ Yes ☐ No Number of Seats 39

**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		
Supervision					Compliance Status			COS R WT		
1	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Person in charge present, demonstrates knowledge, and performs duties					5
Employee Health					Cooking and Reheating of Time/Temperature Control For Safety (TCS) Foods			COS R WT		
2	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Management and food employee awareness, reporting					5
3	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Proper use of restriction and exclusion					5
Good Hygienic Practices					Cooling and Holding, Date Marking, and Time as a Public Health Control			COS R WT		
4	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Proper eating, tasting, drinking, or tobacco use					5
5	IN	OUT	NA	NO	No discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth					5
Preventing Contamination by Hands					Consumer Advisory			COS R WT		
6	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Hands clean and properly washed					5
7	IN	OUT	NA	NO	No bare hand contact with ready-to-eat foods or approved alternate procedures followed					5
8	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Handwashing sinks properly supplied and accessible					2
Approved Source					Highly Susceptible Populations			COS R WT		
9	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Food obtained from approved source					5
10	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Food received at proper temperature					5
11	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Food in good condition, safe, and unadulterated					5
12	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Required records available: shell stock tags, parasite destruction					5
Protection from Contamination					Chemicals			COS R WT		
13	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Food separated and protected					4
14	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Food-contact surfaces: cleaned and sanitized					5
15	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Proper disposition of unsafe food, returned food not re-served					2
16	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Proper cooking time and temperatures					5
17	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Proper reheating procedures for hot holding					5
18	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Proper cooling time and temperature					5
19	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Proper hot holding temperatures					5
20	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Proper cold holding temperatures					5
21	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Proper date marking and disposition					5
22	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Time as a public health control: procedures and records					5
23	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Consumer advisory provided for raw and undercooked food					4
24	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Pasteurized foods used; prohibited foods not offered					5
25	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Food additives: approved and properly used					5
26	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Toxic substances properly identified, stored, used					5
Compliance with Approved Procedures					Compliance with variance, specialized process, and HACCP plan			COS R WT		
27	IN	OUT	NA	NO	Compliance with variance, specialized process, and HACCP plan					5

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

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

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, 4-5-329.

Signature of Person In Charge [Signature] Date 09/14/2023 Signature of Environmental Health Specialist [Signature] Date 09/14/2023

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

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***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)
High heat dishwasher	Heat		152

***Equipment Temperature***

Description	Temperature ( Fahrenheit)
Walk in cooler	38
Protein reach in	37
Reach in cooler rear	37

***Food Temperature***

Description	State of Food	Temperature ( Fahrenheit)
Cubed ham (low boy)	Cold Holding	38
Sliced tomatoes (low boy)	Cold Holding	39
Raw pork chop(protein cooler)	Cold Holding	39
Raw chicken cutlets (Reach in)	Cold Holding	38
Grits	Hot Holding	157
Gravy	Hot Holding	157
Dairy (walk in)	Cold Holding	37

### Observed Violations

Total # 6

Repeated # 0

14: High heat dishwasher final rinse temperature 152°F. Inspector ran high heat dishwasher five times during routine inspection. Heat used as sanitizer must be 160°F final rinse temperature. High heat dishwasher must not be used to wash dishes until able to final rinse at 160°F or above.

22: TILT card for raw shelled eggs held above hot top not labeled. TCS foods placed on time as a public health control must be marked with a disposal time.  
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45: Gaskets to multiple reach in coolers in poor repair.

45: Excessive ice build up on walk in freezer door, not shutting completely.

47: Bottom of protein reach in cooler dirty. Gaskets to protein reach in cooler dirty.

54: Personal drinks, personal items observed stored on food contact surfaces upon inspector arrival in rear area. Personal items must be properly stowed.

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**Comments/Other Observations**

- 1: (IN): PIC demonstrates knowledge by correctly answering questions regarding principles applicable to the food operation.
- 2: (IN): an employee health policy is available.
- 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): good 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 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.
- 13: (IN) All raw animal food is separated and protected as required.
- 15: (IN) No unsafe, returned or previously served food served.
- 16: (NO): no cooking of raw animal products observed during routine inspection.
- 17: (NO) No TCS foods reheated during inspection.
- 18: (NO): no cooling of TCS foods observed.
- 19: (IN): See temperatures.
- 20: (IN): See temperatures.
- 21: (IN) Verified date marking system in place for all ready-to-eat TCS foods that are held longer than 24 hours.
- 23: (IN): Advisory located 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:
- 58:

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**Additional Comments**

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**Comments/Other Observations (cont'd)****Additional Comments (cont'd)**

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<b>Sources</b>			
Source Type:	Food	Source:	US Foods
Source Type:	Water	Source:	Public
Source Type:		Source:	
Source Type:		Source:	
Source Type:		Source:	
<b>Additional Comments</b>			
See priority violations #14,22.			