

# Food Establishment Inspection Report

Score: 97.5

Establishment Name: LOWES FOODS #184 PRODUCE

Establishment ID: 4092021109

Location Address: 5400 APEX PEAKWAY

City: APEX State: North Carolina

Zip: 27502 County: 92 Wake

Permittee: LOWES FOODS STORES INC.

Telephone: (919) 363-5376

Inspection  Re-Inspection  Educational Visit

**Wastewater System:**

Municipal/Community  On-Site System

**Water Supply:**

Municipal/Community  On-Site Supply

Date: 02/03/2025 Status Code: A

Time In: 3:00 PM Time Out: 4:15 PM

Category#: II

FDA Establishment Type: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Risk Factor/Intervention Violations: 2

No. of Repeat Risk Factor/Intervention Violations: 0

**Foodborne Illness Risk Factors and Public Health Interventions**

Risk factors: Contributing factors that increase the chance of developing foodborne illness.

Public Health Interventions: Control measures to prevent foodborne illness or injury

Compliance Status		OUT	CDI	R	VR
<b>Supervision .2652</b>					
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A				
PIC Present, demonstrates knowledge, & performs duties		1	0		
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A				
Certified Food Protection Manager		1	0		
<b>Employee Health .2652</b>					
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Management, food & conditional employee; knowledge, responsibilities & reporting		2	1	0	
4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Proper use of reporting, restriction & exclusion		3	1.5	0	
5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Procedures for responding to vomiting & diarrheal events		1	0.5	0	
<b>Good Hygienic Practices .2652, .2653</b>					
6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Proper eating, tasting, drinking or tobacco use		1	0.5	0	
7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
No discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth		1	0.5	0	
<b>Preventing Contamination by Hands .2652, .2653, .2655, .2656</b>					
8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Hands clean & properly washed		4	2	0	
9	IN OUT/N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
No bare hand contact with RTE foods or pre-approved alternate procedure properly followed		4	2	0	
10	IN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A				
Handwashing sinks supplied & accessible		2	X	0	X
<b>Approved Source .2653, .2655</b>					
11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Food obtained from approved source		2	1	0	
12	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Food received at proper temperature		2	1	0	
13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Food in good condition, safe & unadulterated		2	1	0	
14	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A				
Required records available: shellstock tags, parasite destruction		2	1	0	
<b>Protection from Contamination .2653, .2654</b>					
15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A/N/O				
Food separated & protected		3	1.5	0	
16	IN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Food-contact surfaces: cleaned & sanitized		3	X	0	X
17	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Proper disposition of returned, previously served, reconditioned & unsafe food		2	1	0	
<b>Potentially Hazardous Food Time/Temperature .2653</b>					
18	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A/N/O				
Proper cooking time & temperatures		3	1.5	0	
19	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A/N/O				
Proper reheating procedures for hot holding		3	1.5	0	
20	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A/N/O				
Proper cooling time & temperatures		3	1.5	0	
21	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A/N/O				
Proper hot holding temperatures		3	1.5	0	
22	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A/N/O				
Proper cold holding temperatures		3	1.5	0	
23	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A/N/O				
Proper date marking & disposition		3	1.5	0	
24	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A/N/O				
Time as a Public Health Control; procedures & records		3	1.5	0	
<b>Consumer Advisory .2653</b>					
25	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Consumer advisory provided for raw/undercooked foods		1	0.5	0	
<b>Highly Susceptible Populations .2653</b>					
26	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Pasteurized foods used; prohibited foods not offered		3	1.5	0	
<b>Chemical .2653, .2657</b>					
27	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Food additives: approved & properly used		1	0.5	0	
28	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A				
Toxic substances properly identified stored & used		2	1	0	
<b>Conformance with Approved Procedures .2653, .2654, .2658</b>					
29	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Compliance with variance, specialized process, reduced oxygen packaging criteria or HACCP plan		2	1	0	

**Good Retail Practices**

Good Retail Practices: Preventative measures to control the addition of pathogens, chemicals, and physical objects into foods.

Compliance Status		OUT	CDI	R	VR
<b>Safe Food and Water .2653, .2655, .2658</b>					
30	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Pasteurized eggs used where required		1	0.5	0	
31	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Water and ice from approved source		2	1	0	
32	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Variance obtained for specialized processing methods		2	1	0	
<b>Food Temperature Control .2653, .2654</b>					
33	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control		1	0.5	0	
34	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A				
Plant food properly cooked for hot holding		1	0.5	0	
35	IN OUT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A				
Approved thawing methods used		1	0.5	0	
36	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Thermometers provided & accurate		1	0.5	0	
<b>Food Identification .2653</b>					
37	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Food properly labeled: original container		2	1	0	
<b>Prevention of Food Contamination .2652, .2653, .2654, .2656, .2657</b>					
38	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Insects & rodents not present; no unauthorized animals		2	1	0	
39	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Contamination prevented during food preparation, storage & display		2	1	0	
40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Personal cleanliness		1	0.5	0	
41	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Wiping cloths: properly used & stored		1	0.5	0	
42	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A				
Washing fruits & vegetables		1	0.5	0	
<b>Proper Use of Utensils .2653, .2654</b>					
43	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
In-use utensils: properly stored		1	0.5	0	
44	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Utensils, equipment & linens: properly stored, dried & handled		1	0.5	0	
45	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Single-use & single-service articles: properly stored & used		1	0.5	0	
46	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Gloves used properly		1	0.5	0	
<b>Utensils and Equipment .2653, .2654, .2663</b>					
47	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Equipment, food & non-food contact surfaces approved, cleanable, properly designed, constructed & used		1	0.5	0	
48	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Warewashing facilities: installed, maintained & used; test strips		1	0.5	0	
49	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Non-food contact surfaces clean		1	0.5	0	
<b>Physical Facilities .2654, .2655, .2656</b>					
50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A				
Hot & cold water available; adequate pressure		1	0.5	0	
51	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Plumbing installed; proper backflow devices		2	1	0	
52	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Sewage & wastewater properly disposed		2	1	0	
53	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT/N/A				
Toilet facilities: properly constructed, supplied & cleaned		1	0.5	0	
54	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Garbage & refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained		1	0.5	0	
55	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Physical facilities installed, maintained & clean		1	0.5	0	
56	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OUT				
Meets ventilation & lighting requirements; designated areas used		1	0.5	0	
<b>TOTAL DEDUCTIONS:</b>					<b>2.5</b>





## Comment Addendum to Inspection Report

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### Observations and Corrective Actions

Violations cited in this report must be corrected within the time frames below, or as stated in sections 8-405.11 of the food code.

- 10 6-301.11; Priority Foundation; The handwashing sink in the pick and prep area did not have soap. A supply of soap shall be provided at each handwashing sink. CDI- soap dispenser was refilled.
- 16 4-602.11 (E)(4)(b); Core; The upper panel inside the ice machine in the prep room had some minor black residue. Clean the insides of ice machines at a frequency necessary to preclude the accumulation of microbial residues.  
4-601.11(A); Priority Foundation; Multiple food storage containers on the clean equipment shelf had visible sticker residue and were stacked on top of one another. Equipment food-contact surfaces and utensils shall be clean to sight and touch. CDI- containers removed for cleaning.

### Additional Comments

The metal blades of a tomato slicer on a lower shelf in the prep room were observed badly damaged. When asked, PIC said it was going to be discarded but had to be properly discharged from the store. Ensure this piece of equipment is not used in the interim.