

Food Establishment Inspection Report

Score: 98.5

Establishment Name: SCRATCH KITCHEN AND TAPROOM

Establishment ID: 4092017905

Location Address: 225 N SALEM ST, SUITE 127

City: APEX State: North Carolina

Zip: 27502 County: 92 Wake

Permittee: SCRATCH KITCHEN AND TAPROOM

Telephone: (919) 372-5365

☒ Inspection ☐ Re-Inspection ☐ Educational Visit**Wastewater System:**☒ Municipal/Community ☐ On-Site System**Water Supply:**☒ Municipal/Community ☐ On-Site Supply

Date: 09/04/2026 Status Code: A

Time In: 2:00 PM Time Out: 4:30 PM

Category#: IV

FDA Establishment Type: Full-Service Restaurant

No. of Risk Factor/Intervention Violations: 1

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

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Safe Food and Water .2653, .2655, .2658					
30	☒ IN OUT	Pasteurized eggs used where required	1	0.5	0
31	☒ OUT	Water and ice from approved source	2	1	0
32	☒ IN OUT	Variance obtained for specialized processing methods	2	1	0
Food Temperature Control .2653, .2654					
33	☒ OUT	Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control	1	0.5	0
34	☒ OUT N/A N/O	Plant food properly cooked for hot holding	1	0.5	0
35	☒ OUT N/A N/O	Approved thawing methods used	1	0.5	0
36	☒ OUT	Thermometers provided & accurate	1	0.5	0
Food Identification .2653					
37	☒ OUT	Food properly labeled: original container	2	1	0
Prevention of Food Contamination .2652, .2653, .2654, .2656, .2657					
38	☒ OUT	Insects & rodents not present; no unauthorized animals	2	1	0
39	☒ OUT	Contamination prevented during food preparation, storage & display	2	1	0
40	☒ OUT	Personal cleanliness	1	0.5	0
41	☒ OUT	Wiping cloths: properly used & stored	1	0.5	0
42	☒ OUT N/A	Washing fruits & vegetables	1	0.5	0
Proper Use of Utensils .2653, .2654					
43	☒ OUT	In-use utensils: properly stored	1	0.5	0
44	☒ OUT	Utensils, equipment & linens: properly stored, dried & handled	1	0.5	0
45	☒ OUT	Single-use & single-service articles: properly stored & used	1	0.5	0
46	☒ OUT	Gloves used properly	1	0.5	0
Utensils and Equipment .2653, .2654, .2663					
47	☒ OUT	Equipment, food & non-food contact surfaces approved, cleanable, properly designed, constructed & used	1	0.5	0
48	☒ OUT	Warewashing facilities: installed, maintained & used; test strips	1	0.5	0
49	☒ OUT	Non-food contact surfaces clean	1	0.5	0
Physical Facilities .2654, .2655, .2656					
50	☒ OUT N/A	Hot & cold water available; adequate pressure	1	0.5	0
51	☒ OUT	Plumbing installed; proper backflow devices	2	1	0
52	☒ OUT	Sewage & wastewater properly disposed	2	1	0
53	☒ OUT N/A	Toilet facilities: properly constructed, supplied & cleaned	1	0.5	0
54	☒ OUT	Garbage & refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained	1	0.5	0
55	☒ OUT	Physical facilities installed, maintained & clean	1	0.5	0
56	☒ OUT	Meets ventilation & lighting requirements; designated areas used	1	0.5	0
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS:					1.5



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Temperature Observations

Item/Location	Temp	Item/Location	Temp	Item/Location	Temp
spinach (discarded)/garde manger lowboy	55				
salad mix (discarded)/garde manger lowboy	45				
eggs (discarded)/garde manger lowboy	54				
brussels/make line grill lowboy	38				
pork belly/make line grill lowboy	38				
shrimp/make line grill lowboy	37				
pork butt (cooling)/WIC	54				
veggie burger/WIC	39				
poached pears (cooling)/WIC	43				
shredded beef /WIC	40				
salmon/WIC	40				
ambient air/WIC	38				
pork butt (cooling retemp) /WIC	49				
poached pears (cooling retemp)/WIC	41				

First
 Person in Charge (Print & Sign): Tatiana
 First
 Regulatory Authority (Print & Sign): Carla

Last
 Sanchez
 Last
 Pressley

Tatiana

Carla Pressley

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Priority Foundation: Core:

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Tatiana



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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.

- 22 3-501.16 (A) (2) and (B) Time / Temperature Control for Safety Food, Hot and Cold Holding (P)
Spinach, salad mix, and eggs were cold held above 41F. Except during preparation, cooking, or cooling, or when TPHC is used TCS FOOD shall be maintained at 41F or less. PIC had food discarded.