Public Protection (food & safety)

Food Premises Inspection Report

Name of business:	Oh My Cod
Address of food business:	94 Harvey Lane Norwich, NR7 0AQ
Date of inspection:	05/03/2026
Risk rating reference:	26/00195/FOOD
Premises reference:	19/00002/FD_HS
Type of premises:	Cuisine - Fish and Chip Takeaway
Areas inspected:	Prep Room, Servery
Records examined:	Temperature Control Records, SFBB, Cleaning Schedule
Details of samples procured:	None
Summary of action taken:	Informal
General description of business:	Fish and chips takeaway

Relevant Legislation

Food Safety Act 1990 (as amended)
Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 applied by The General Food Regulations 2004 (as amended)
Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 and No 853/2004 applied by Regulation 19 (1) of the Food Safety and Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013
Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and related regulations
Food Information Regulations 2014

What you must do to comply with the law

The report may include **Contraventions** - matters which do not comply with the law. You must address all of the contraventions identified; failure to do so could result in legal action being taken against you.

As a guide, contraventions relating to cleaning, temperature control and poor practice, should be dealt with straight away.
Contraventions relating to structural repairs, your food safety management system and staff training, should be completed within the next 2 months.
Health and safety contraventions should be dealt with within 3 months unless otherwise stated.

To assist you the report may also include **Observations** of current practice, useful **Information**, **Recommendations** of good practice and reminders of **Legal Requirements.**

My inspection was not intended to identify every contravention of the law and only covers those areas, practices and procedures examined at the time of the inspection. If the report fails to mention a particular matter this does not mean you have necessarily complied with the law.

FOOD SAFETY

How we calculate your Food Hygiene Rating:

The food safety section has been divided into the three areas which you are scored against for the hygiene rating: 1. food hygiene and safety procedures, 2. structural requirements and 3. confidence in management/control procedures. Each section begins with a summary of what was observed and the score you have been given. Details of how these scores combine to produce your overall food hygiene rating are shown in the table.

Compliance Area	You Score					
Food Hygiene and Safety	0	**5**	10	15	20	25
Structure and Cleaning	0	**5**	10	15	20	25
Confidence in management & control systems	0	5	**10**	15	20	30

Your Total score	0 - 15	**20**	25 - 30	35 - 40	45 - 50	> 50
Your Worst score	5	**10**	10	15	20	-

Your Rating is	5	**4**	3	2	1	0

Your Food Hygiene Rating is 4 - a good standard



1. Food Hygiene and Safety

Food hygiene standards are high. You demonstrated a very good standard of compliance with legal requirements. You have safe food handling practices and procedures and all the necessary control measures to prevent cross-contamination are in place. Some minor contraventions require your attention. **(5)**

Contamination risks

Contravention Food was not protected from general sources of contamination:

- blue cutting board was badly scored and needs replacing
- scoops, cup, sieve stored in dried ingredients

Legal requirement At all stages of production, processing and distribution, food must be protected from any contamination likely to render it unfit for human consumption, injurious to health or contaminated in such a way that it would be unreasonable to expect it to be consumed in that state.

Personal Hygiene

Contravention The following are examples of poor personal hygiene or where it was made difficult for food handlers to maintain sufficiently high standards of personal cleanliness:

- staff were not wearing suitable protective clothing

Legal Requirement All persons in food handling areas must wear suitable, clean, and where appropriate protective clothing.

2. Structure and Cleaning

The structure facilities and standard of cleaning and maintenance are all of a good standard and only minor repairs and/or improvements are required. Pest control and waste disposal provisions are adequate. The minor contraventions require your attention. **(5)**

Cleaning of Equipment and Food Contact Surfaces

Contravention The following items are dirty and must be cleaned:

- seals to chest freezer
- around interior top to chest freezer
- chest freezer needs defrosting
- handle to chest freezer
- interior ceiling to microwave
- cabinet to chest freezer

Cleaning Chemicals / Materials / Equipment and Methods

Observation I was pleased to see that the premises was kept clean and that your cleaning materials, methods and equipment were able to minimise the spread of harmful bacteria between surfaces.

Maintenance

Contravention The following had not been suitably maintained and must be repaired or replaced:

- damage to control panel to chest freezer
- floor tiles cracked

Pest Control

Recommendation provide fly screens to openable windows and external doors in rooms in which food is prepared and handled

3. Confidence in Management

There are generally satisfactory food safety controls in place although there is evidence of some non-compliance with the law. The contraventions require your attention; although not critical to food safety they may become so if not addressed. **(10)**

Type of Food Safety Management System Required

Observation You had colour-coded equipment and effective separation between raw and ready-to-eat food at all stages in your operation.

Observation You were monitoring (and recording) the temperatures of your fridges and freezers as well as the temperature of cooked/hot-held food and could demonstrate effective systems for controlling bacterial growth and survival.

Observation Your SFBB/food safety management system was in place and working well. I was confident you had effective control over hazards to food.

Safer Food Better Business that works

Contravention The Management sections in your Safer food Better Business (SFBB) pack are intended to demonstrate you are in day-to-day control of the hazards to food. The following Management sections were either missing, incomplete or not up-to-date:

- Acrylamide section
- hot holding section
- management section
- staff training lists not filled in, add all staff to training lists including yourself
- suppliers list
- Contacts list
- 4 x weekly reviews
- opening checks not done on day of inspection

Proving Your Arrangements are Working Well

Contravention You are not working to the following safe methods in your SFBB pack:

- personal hygiene as no protective clothing worn when preparing foods

Traceability

Observation Your records were such that food could easily be traced back to its supplier.

Infection Control / Sickness / Exclusion Policy

Guidance UK Health Security Agency recommends that food handlers known or suspected to be suffering from a food-borne infection or gastrointestinal illness stay away from work until symptom-free for 48 hours.

Waste Food and other Refuse

Observation You had measures in place to dispose of waste food appropriately and were employing the services of an approved waste contractor.

Training

Recommendation A Level 2 Award in Food Safety in Catering or its equivalent (a 6-hour course leading to the award of a recognised certificate in food hygiene) would be appropriate for your food handlers. Booking details for the equivalent CIEH course are on our website: www.norwich.gov.uk

Recommendation Catering staff should refresh their food hygiene knowledge every 3 years so that they stay up to date with current legislation and good practice. Booking details for this course are on our website: www.norwich.gov.uk

Allergens

Observation You had identified the presence of allergens in your non-prepacked food and had brought this to the attention of your customers.