

Public Protection (food & safety)**Food Premises Inspection Report**

Name of business:	Gracha
Address of food business:	7 - 13 Rose Lane, Norwich, NR1 1PL
Date of inspection:	15/06/2026
Risk rating reference:	26/00457/FOOD
Premises reference:	26/00092/FD_HS
Type of premises:	Restaurant or cafe
Areas inspected:	Servery
Records examined:	Supplier details
Details of samples procured:	None
Summary of action taken:	Informal
General description of business:	Cafe

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 3 - a generally satisfactory 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 The following exposed food to the general risk of cross-contamination with bacteria or allergens or its physical contamination with dirt, foreign objects or chemicals:

- matcha whisk worn and could shed broken particles
- uncovered condensed milk in the fridge
- cakes on the counter not protected from contamination

Recommendation Regularly check equipment for deterioration. For example, the plastic coating on food tongs splits and cracks over time and risks plastic contaminating food and makes cleaning difficult.

Hand washing

Contravention The following indicated that hand washing was not suitably managed:

- there was no hot water to the wash hand basin
- equipment was seen draining in the wash hand basin

Legal Requirement An adequate number of wash hand basins must be available for use, they must be suitably located and designated for cleaning hands.

Legal Requirement Wash hand basins must be provided with hot and cold running water and suitable drainage; soap and a hygienic way to dry hands.

Information Hand washing is required:

- * before handling ready-to-eat food
- * after touching raw food and its packaging, including unwashed fruit and vegetables
- * after a break/smoking
- * after going to the toilet
- * after cleaning
- * after removing waste
- * after blowing your nose

Recommendation For extra protection against cross contamination use a liquid soap with disinfectant properties conforming to the European standard BS EN 1499: 1997. This information should be available on the product label or may be obtained from the supplier or manufacturer.

Personal Hygiene

Observation I was pleased to see that standards of personal hygiene were generally good.

Temperature Control

Contravention The following evidence indicated there was a risk of bacteria growing on food:

- food temperatures were not being consistently monitored

Guidance There are 2 exemptions from temperature control requirements (providing all other food safety requirements are met):

1. Cooked pies and pasties containing meat, fish or vegetables or any combination of these, encased in pastry, to (which nothing has been added after baking) and uncut sausage rolls that are intended to be sold on the day of production or the next day.
2. Uncut baked egg and milk pastry products e.g. custard tarts and Yorkshire curd tarts, intended for sale within 24 hours of production.

Guidance All food products should be stored in accordance with the manufacturer instructions.

Guidance You cannot rely on taking chilled food temperatures by reading the temperature display on the refrigeration unit. You need an independent method that is clearly related to the actual food temperature.

Recommendation Put a fridge thermometer in each of your fridges or chillers. These will give you an independent reading of the air temperature inside the unit.

2. Structure and Cleaning

The structure facilities and standard of cleaning and maintenance are of a generally satisfactory standard but there are some repairs and/or improvements which are required in order for you to comply with the law. Pest control and waste disposal provisions are adequate. The contraventions require your attention; although not critical to food safety they may become so if not addressed. **(10)**

Cleaning of Structure

Contravention The following items were dirty and require more frequent and thorough cleaning:

- wash hand basin
- hand contact surfaces such as light switches and door handles
- behind and under equipment
- around equipment feet

Contravention The following items could not be effectively cleaned and must be covered, made non-absorbent or replaced:

- the fridge shelves are rusting
- unsealed wooden structures
- rawl plugs and drill holes in wall
- painted wall behind the food preparation surface

Information Different sanitisers require different CONTACT TIMES to be effective. Ensure that you know what the contact time is and that all your staff are trained to use the sanitiser effectively

Recommendation Improve your housekeeping.

Recommendation Your cleaning schedule is there to remind you to clean before an item becomes dirty. If an item is dirty when you go to clean it, increase the frequency of cleaning.

Observation The premises is currently undergoing refurbishment, with planned improvements to the servery cabinets, shelving, splash backs and electrical installations.

Cleaning of Equipment and Food Contact Surfaces

Contravention The following items are dirty and must be cleaned:

- fridge handles and seals
- food storage containers

Cleaning Chemicals / Materials / Equipment and Methods

Information You must ensure that the sanitisers you use are effective against bacteria. Ensure that they meet the following standards BS EN 1276:1997 and 13697:2001.

Guidance Even when using a surface sanitiser you should be following the TWO STAGE cleaning method. Apply the sanitiser once to remove visible dirt and food debris and then a second time to ensure effective disinfection. Make sure you follow the correct contact time for the product.

Recommendation Store items such as mops, buckets and rooms in an area, room or cupboard separate from a food areas.

Maintenance

Observation Refurbishments at the premises are ongoing and were unfinished at the time of inspection.

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

- wall cladding unfinished
- unsealed wooden structures and unfinished cabinets in the servery
- no hot water supply in the servery

A dedicated hot water supply was not available at the servery during the inspection. A new electric hot water unit had been installed and was awaiting commissioning, which was scheduled for the following few days. Temporary access to hot water was available from the kettle and coffee machine. The planned commissioning of the hot water unit should be completed as soon as possible to provide a dedicated supply of hot water at the servery.

Facilities and Structural provision

Observation I was pleased to see that adequate facilities had been provided.

Pest Control

Recommendation A few flying insects were observed in the premises. Please ensure effective controls are in place and continue to keep this under review.

Recommendation Ensure staff are trained to recognise the signs of pests and that they undertake regular checks of the premises.

Recommendation Install the Electric Fly Killer in a suitable position away from natural light sources and food and food preparation surfaces and keep it clean.

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. Some minor issues were identified relating to staff supervision and training. You are progressing towards a written food safety management system. 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

Contravention You do not have a food safety management system. Implement Safer Food Better Business or an equivalent food safety management system.

Legal Requirement Food business operators must put in place, implement and maintain a permanent procedure or procedures based on HACCP principles:

- Identify hazards to food.
- Identify the critical limits (what is acceptable and unacceptable).
- Monitor critical control points to ensure critical limits are met.
- Keep appropriate records to demonstrate control measures are effective.

Recommendation Choose Safer Food Better Business as your food safety management system. It is simple to implement and requires a minimum amount of record keeping.

Legal Requirement Ensure that your food safety management system is available on site so your staff can refer to your procedures and so that daily records of checks can be completed.

Information If you want to keep everything on your computer or tablet an electronic version of the Safer Food Better Business pack is also available on the FSA website www.food.gov.uk/business-industry/caterers/sfbb. However, do make sure staff have access to it at all times when working.

Information You can download a Safer Food Better Business pack and refill diary pages from the FSA website: www.food.gov.uk/business-industry/caterers/sfbb

Information As you are a new business you are permitted the flexibility of extra time to get your food safety management system up to the minimum legal requirements. You must act on this now as your food hygiene rating score may be reduced to a maximum of 1 if the food safety management system does not fully meet the legal standard by the time of the next statutory inspection.

Food Hazard Identification and Control

Contravention The following pre-requisites have not been met and this means that your food safety management system will be ineffective:

- the premises structure is unfinished
- cleaning requires improvement

Information Before implementing a food safety management system such as Safer Food Better Business, basic good hygiene conditions and practices called prerequisites must be in place. Only then will your food safety management system be effective in ensuring the preparation of safe food.

Contravention You have not identified these food hazards or the methods of control at critical points in your operation:

- contamination
- bacteria growing on food

Proving Your Arrangements are Working Well

Recommendation Your SFBB pack should be used as intended so as to guarantee you are fully complying with your legal obligation to have a documented food safety management system in place.

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

Observation I was pleased to see that you had completed food hygiene training.

Allergens

Contravention You are failing to manage allergens properly:

- you do not have a system for informing customers about the presence of allergens in the food you prepare
- you are not informing customers about the risk of cross contamination with allergens

Information The Food Information Regulations require that you know what allergens are in the food you provide. You can no longer claim you don't know what allergens are present. Neither can you simply state that all the foods you serve might contain an allergen:

- Be sure you know exactly what your allergens are
- Convey this information to your customers accurately and consistently

Information Allergen information could be written down on a chalk board or chart, or provided orally by a member of staff. Where the specific allergen information is not provided up front, clear sign-posting to where this information could be obtained must be provided.

Information Advise your customers how to get allergen information. You can display a sign along the lines of ASK OUR STAFF ABOUT ALLERGENS.

Information The Food Standards Agency has produced a chart that you may find useful www.food.gov.uk/sites/default/files/media/document/allergen-chart.pdf

Information The 14 allergens are:

- cereals containing gluten
- crustaceans, for example prawns, crabs, lobster and crayfish
- eggs
- fish
- peanuts
- soybeans
- milk
- nuts, such as almonds, hazelnuts, walnuts, pecan nuts, Brazil nuts, pistachio, cashew and macadamia (Queensland) nuts
- celery (and celeriac)
- mustard
- sesame
- sulphur dioxide, which is a preservative found in some dried fruit
- lupin
- molluscs, for example clams, mussels, whelks, oysters, snails and squid