

Public Protection (food & safety)

Food Premises Inspection Report

Name of business:	Seoul Born
Address of food business:	13 Orford Place Norwich NR1 3RU
Date of inspection:	27/07/2026
Risk rating reference:	26/00542/FOOD
Premises reference:	23/00212/FD_HS
Type of premises:	Restaurant or cafe
Areas inspected:	Basement, Main Kitchen, Servery
Records examined:	FSMS, Pest Control Report, Temperature Control Records, Cleaning Schedule, Training Certificates/records
Details of samples procured:	None
Summary of action taken:	Informal
General description of business:	Korean fried chicken

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 generally satisfactory and maintained. There is evidence of some non-compliance with legal requirements. Some lapses are evident however generally you have satisfactory food handling practices and procedures and adequate control measures to prevent cross-contamination are in place. The contraventions require your attention; although not critical to food safety they may become so if not addressed.
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Contamination risks

Contravention You had not protected the articles and/or the equipment you use for ready-to-eat food from the contamination risk posed by raw food or its packaging.

- green cutting board was badly scored and needs replacing
- scoops/bowls 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.

Recommendation Chopping/cutting boards were being stored directly touching. Chopping/cutting boards must be stored in a rack properly divided to stop cross-contamination and to allow aeration

Hand washing

Recommendation I recommend you install a towel dispenser near the wash hand basin downstairs

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 not seen washing their hands when I visited

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

Information Proper hand washing is essential in preventing the spread of E. coli 0157 and other harmful bacteria onto food and food contact surfaces. Proper hand washing must include the following steps:

- wet hands before applying soap
- good hand rubbing technique
- rinsing of hands
- hygienic drying

Temperature Control

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

- hot foods, for service, were kept below 63°C for over 2 hours
- cold foods were being stored above 8°C

Legal requirement Raw materials, ingredients, intermediate products and finished products likely to support the reproduction of pathogenic micro-organisms or the formation of toxins must not be kept at temperatures that might result in a risk to health.

Legal requirement The cold chain is not to be interrupted. However, limited periods outside temperature control are permitted, to accommodate the practicalities of handling during preparation, transport, storage, display and service of food, provided that it does not result in a risk to health

Legal Requirement If you rely on selling cold food (displayed over 8 °C) within four hours you must be able to demonstrate your system for ensuring food is either sold, placed under refrigeration, or discarded, before the four hours have elapsed.

Legal requirement Food which has been cooked or reheated and is intended to be kept hot until it is sold, must either be held at or above 63°C or it can be kept for service or on display for sale for a single period of less than 2 hours; at the end of the 2 hour period the food should be cooled as quickly as possible and kept at or below 8°C or discarded.

Unfit food

Recommendation You should have a system to identify when open or prepared foods need to be used by or discarded, to ensure the food is fit for consumption. I recommend you apply labels which give a date that is 2 days after the day of production e.g. if food is opened on Monday it should be used by the end of Wednesday (an exception is cooked rice which should not be kept longer than 24 hours)

Poor Practices

Contravention The following matters represented poor practice and if allowed to continue may cause food to become contaminated or lead to its deterioration:

- hot food was being stored in the fridge. This can cause the temperature of other food within the unit to rise. Hot foods should not be placed in a refrigerator

Recommendation Rapid cooling can be achieved by reducing the portion size, either by cutting food into smaller pieces or by decanting into several smaller shallow containers

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:

- floor/wall junctions
- pipe work
- walls
- cobwebs were seen to high areas

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

- woodwork

Cleaning of Equipment and Food Contact Surfaces

Contravention The following items are dirty and must be cleaned:

- underneath towel dispenser
- blade to can opener
- legs to equipment
- handles to food containers
- food containers
- stool

Cleaning Chemicals / Materials / Equipment and Methods

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

Information Cardboard cannot be properly cleaned. Do not use it to cover the floor/ shelves of work surfaces in food rooms

Recommendation Do not use cardboard on floor surfaces, as the floor cannot be kept clean. (If floor surfaces are slippery then action should be taken to improve the non-slip property of the floor surface and the type of shoes worn by staff should be reviewed

Observation Food handler unaware of contact time of sanitiser

Information Ensure you use a surface sanitiser that conforms to BS EN 1276:1997 or BS EN 13697:2001. This information should be available on the label or by contacting the manufacturer.

Information A surface sanitiser may be rendered ineffective if you are not following the correct dilutions or allowing a sufficient time for the product to work (contact time). Always follow the instructions on the product label.

Information 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.

Maintenance

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

- damage to walls
- damage to work surface
- split handles to tongs
- split seals to fridges

Facilities and Structural provision

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

Pest Control

Observation You have a pest control contract in place and there is no evidence of pest activity on the premises.

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 were date labelling perishable foods appropriately and could demonstrate effective control over food spoilage organisms.

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

Observation Your food safety management system was in place. I was confident you had effective control over hazards to food.

Proving Your Arrangements are Working Well

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

- diary pages not filled in since 8/7. However you were now using leafe on phone
- add all staff to the training lists
- cleaning schedule as more attention is needed to cleaning
- chilling, as chilled food was being stored above 8°C
- cooking, as hot food was being stored at 43°C
- personal hygiene as it states in your pack that white chef jackets or plain t shirts were being worn

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.

Training

Contravention The following evidence indicates there is a staff training need for food handlers:

- standard of cleaning was poor
- not wearing sufficient protective over-clothing

Allergens

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