

**Public Protection (food & safety)**

**Food Premises Inspection Report**

Name of business:	L'Hexagone
Address of food business:	22 Lower Goat Lane Norwich NR2 1EL
Date of inspection:	11/03/2020
Risk rating reference:	20/00094/FOOD
Premises reference:	19/00343/FD_HS
Type of premises:	Restaurant or cafe
Areas inspected:	All
Records examined:	Temperature Control Records, SFBB
Details of samples procured:	None
Summary of action taken:	Informal
General description of business:	Independent French restaurant serving local community

**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
<b>Your Total score</b>	<b>0 - 15</b>	20	25 - 30	35 - 40	45 - 50	> 50
<b>Your Worst score</b>	<b>5</b>	10	10	15	20	-
<b>Your Rating is</b>	<b>5</b>	4	3	2	1	0

Your Food Hygiene Rating is 5 - a very 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. **(Score 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:

- uncovered chocolate mousses

#### Personal Hygiene

**Observation** I was pleased to see that standards of personal hygiene were high.

#### Temperature Control

**Observation** I was pleased to see you were able to limit bacterial growth and/or survival by applying appropriate temperature controls at points critical to food safety and that you were monitoring temperatures.

## **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. **(Score 5)**

### Cleaning of Structure

**Observation** The kitchen had been well maintained and the standard of cleaning was exceptionally high.

### 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** Disinfectants and sanitisers must at least meet the requirements of one of the following standards: BS EN 1276 or BS EN 13697; or other standards that meet the same conditions and requirements.

### Maintenance

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

- floor surfaces. There were some small patches of untreated concrete where lino flooring had not been fitted

## **3. Confidence in Management**

A food safety management system is in place and you demonstrate a very good standard of compliance with the law. You have a good track record. There are some minor contraventions which require your attention. Your records are appropriate and generally maintained. You have a good track record. There are some minor contraventions which require your attention. **(Score 5)**

### Type of Food Safety Management System Required

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

**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.

### Food Hazard Identification and Control

**Contravention** The following Safer Food Better Business SAFE METHODS are incomplete:

- Cooking

### Proving Your Arrangements are Working Well

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

- you had not fully completed the 'extra checks' section on eggs. This is because you use raw eggs in your mayonnaise and chocolate mousse. You need to advise customers you use raw eggs in these two dishes. I was pleased to note you updated your electronic menu straight away with this information and will print them off shortly. You also only use 'Lion brand' eggs from a reputable supplier.
- training records / supplier lists. I acknowledge you have no staff, but both you and your chef/husband must be listed in the staff training record section. This is because it is written evidence that you both have read and understood your food safety practices and procedures as detailed in the SFBB pack

### Traceability

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

### Training

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

- some foods were not properly labelled according to your stock rotation/labeling system. Foods must have a day sticker/label showing the preparation day and a clear disposal date

### Allergens

**Legal Requirement** Caterers must provide allergy information on all unpackaged food they sell. Catering businesses include restaurants, takeaways, deli counters, bakeries and sandwich bars etc. The potential for cross-contamination by allergens must also be made known to consumers. In addition food manufacturers must now label allergy

causing ingredients on their pre-packed foods. You can obtain more information from the Trading Standards website [www.norfolk.gov.uk/abc](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/abc)

**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** 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
- warn them about the potential for cross-contamination with allergens

## **HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE**

### **Falls from Height / stairs / cellars**

**Contravention** The stairs to the third floor storage/stock room were not sufficiently lit and there was an increased risk of falling. Improve the lighting in this location.