



Public Protection (food & safety)

Food Premises Inspection Report

Name of business:	Ruth's Kitchen
Address of food business:	39 Magdalen Street Norwich NR3 1LQ
Date of inspection:	07/12/2021
Risk rating reference:	21/00399/FOOD
Premises reference:	14/00151/FD_HS
Type of premises:	Restaurant or cafe
Areas inspected:	Main Kitchen
Records examined:	Cleaning Schedule, SFBB
Details of samples procured:	None
Summary of action taken:	Informal
General description of business:	Middle eastern restaurant

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
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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. **(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:

- eggs were stored above ready to eat foods
- damaged equipment is in use that could shed broken particles
- oven gloves were frayed

Contravention You could not demonstrate effective disinfection of equipment and utensils used for both raw and ready-to-eat foods, either by heat or an adequate dishwasher cycle. Separate equipment and utensils must be provided. Such

equipment should be easily identifiable (e.g. colour coded) and must be stored and washed separately:

Contravention You could not demonstrate effective heat disinfection of the food equipment and utensils you use for handling both raw and ready-to-eat foods: knives

- storage containers (ensure food containers are only used for their intended purpose - ie for either raw or cooked food - and are washed and stored separately)

Hand-washing

Observation I was pleased to see handwashing was well managed.

Recommendation Provide a wall-mounted dispenser for your paper towels.

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 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. **(Score 10)**

Cleaning of Structure

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

- extraction canopy
- walls particularly behind food preparation surfaces
- the floor under units

Cleaning Chemicals / Materials / Equipment and Methods

Contravention The following evidence demonstrated your cleaning materials, equipment and methods were not sufficient to control the spread of harmful bacteria between surfaces:

- the sanitisers are not to BS EN 1276:1997 or 13697:2001 Standards

- you did not have appropriate cleaning chemicals available

Maintenance

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

- wall surface above wash-hand basin
- replace or remove the broken black plastic face plate to the griddle
- repair the cupboard door under the sink

Recommendation Replace the missing kick boards to help keep the floor under units clean

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. **(Score 5)**

Proving Your Arrangements are Working Well

Contravention The most up-to-date diary pages and the four-weekly reviews from your Safer Food Better Business pack were not available for inspection. As a consequence you could not demonstrate an effective system for managing food safety hazards.

Observation You were able to show me the diary pages the following day and I was satisfied you had a working food safety management system in place.

Training

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