



**Public Protection (food & safety)**

**Food Premises Inspection Report**

Name of business:	At Your Convenience
Address of food business:	55 Earlham Road Norwich NR2 3AD
Date of inspection:	07/10/2023
Risk rating reference:	23/00729/FOOD
Premises reference:	12/00028/FD_HS
Type of premises:	Convenience Store
Areas inspected:	All
Records examined:	None
Details of samples procured:	None
Summary of action taken:	Informal
General description of business:	Convenience store

**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	<b>10</b>	15	20	25
Structure and Cleaning	0	<b>5</b>	10	15	20	25
Confidence in management & control systems	0	5	<b>10</b>	15	20	30
<b>Your Total score</b>	0 - 15	20	<b>25 - 30</b>	35 - 40	45 - 50	> 50
<b>Your Worst score</b>	5	10	<b>10</b>	15	20	-
<b>Your Rating is</b>	5	4	<b>3</b>	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.  
**(Score 10)**

#### Contamination risks

**Contravention** The following exposed ready-to-eat food and or its packaging to the risk of cross-contamination with food-borne bacteria from raw meat or unwashed fruits and vegetables:

- Raw foods were stored above ready to eat foods.
- Raw food, i.e. bacon, was being stored next to and above wrapped ready to eat foods i.e, milk, chicken bites.
- Cardboard was being used to line the internal base of the fridge. Remove the cardboard from the fridge as it cannot be kept clean and harbours dirt and bacteria.

**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.

**Guidance** The FSA (visit [www.food.gov.uk](http://www.food.gov.uk) for more information) has issued guidance on controlling E.coli 0157 through:

- \* the complete separation of raw and ready-to-eat food
- \* the correct use of wash-hand basins and thorough hand-washing
- \* having dedicated equipment (including complex equipment) for raw and ready-to-eat foods
- \* thorough 2-stage cleaning and the correct use of sanitiser
- \* and by controlling the risks posed by soily vegetables.

### 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.

### 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:

- Foods were found on your premises which were past their use by dates, i.e, egg mayo sandwich (06/10/23), chicken mayo roll (06/10/23), chicken sweetcorn frenchstick (06/10/23), sausage roll 04/10/23). The use by date is the date until which the manufacturer of the food guarantees it is safe to eat. Food sold beyond it's use by date may be of poor quality or unfit. It is an offence to sell or expose for sale food with an expired use by date.

**Recommendation** You must check your stock daily and dispose of any out of date food

## **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

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

- Behind and under equipment.
- High level cleaning.
- High level cleaning to remove cobwebs.

## Maintenance

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

- Mastic between sink and wall in the kitchenette.

## Facilities and Structural provision

**Observation** I was pleased to see the premises had been well maintained and that adequate facilities had been provided.

## Pest Control

**Observation** I was pleased to see that the premises was proofed against the entry of pests and that pest control procedures were in place.

## **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. **(Score 10)**

## Type of Food Safety Management System Required

**Contravention** You are a low risk business and do not have a food safety management system or what you have in place is not suitable given the food risks associated with your business. You still require a minimum amount of documentation. This might include your hygiene rules, pest control reports, a staff illness and exclusion policy, a cleaning schedule, date coding, temperature checks of display chillers, and hand over diary etc.

**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.

## 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:

- Cleaning and sanitation are inadequate.

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

- Cross-contamination.

## 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

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

- were not cleaning properly
- were not carry out proper stock rotation
- were selling food that were past their use by date