

# **QUABBIN HEALTH DISTRICT**

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Risk Category High

Food Establishment Inspection Report

Insp Date: 4/14/2025 Business ID: Q3000033 Inspection: Q3000216

Business: Mexicali Grill
146 West St.
Permit #:
Phone:

Inspector: 03 John Prenosil

Ware, MA 01082 Reason: 01. Routine

Next Inspection on or near: 8/12/2025
Results: Next Routine 120

Time In / Time Out

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|--------------------|----------|----------|------|--------|-------|---------|-------|
| Date               | In       | Out      | Insp | Travel | Total | Mileage | Notes |
| 04/14/25           | 11:15 AM | 12:45 PM | 1:30 | 0:00   | 1:30  | 0       |       |
| Total:             |          |          | 1:30 | 0.00   | 1:30  | 0       |       |

#### Inspection Summary

PIC Name Shannon Jacobs

Official Order for Correction: Based on an inspection today, the items marked "OUT" indicated violations of 105 CMR 590.000 and applicable sections of the 2013 FDA Food Code. This report, when signed below by a Board of Health member or its agent constitutes an order of the Board of Health. Failure to correct violations cited in this report may result in suspension or revocation of the food establishment permit and cessation of food establishment operations. If you are subject to a notice of suspension, revocation, or non-renewal pursuant to 105 CMR 590.000 you may request a hearing before the board of health in accordance with 105 CMR 590.015(B).

| Certified Food Protection Manager Dolores Nunez  |   |       |        | CFPM Exp Date <u>06/27/2027</u> |        |          |               |             |  |  |  |
|--|---|-------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|----------|---------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| Certified Allergy Trained Name <u>Dolore</u>   | Allergy Exp Date 07/15/2022                 |       |        |                                 |        |          |               |             |  |  |  |
| Certified ChokeSaver Name  |   | Cho   | keSav  | er Exp                          | o Date | <u> </u> |               |             |  |  |  |
| Permit Posted  | In  |       |        |                                 |        |          |               |             |  |  |  |
| Inspection Report Available  | In ¤ Out ¡                                  |       |        |                                 |        |          |               |             |  |  |  |
| FOODBORNE ILLNESS RISK FACTORS AND   | PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS                 |       |        |                                 |        |          |               |             |  |  |  |
| Compliance status: IN = in compliance OUT  Marked in appropriate box for COS and/or R.  Risk factors are improper practices or procedu  Public Health Interventions are control measur | COS = corrected on-site during inspectio    | nR=   | repea  | t viola                         | ition  | ne illne | ess or injury | <i>i</i> .  |  |  |  |
| Supervision  | es to prevent roouborne linesses of injury. | IN    | OUT    | N/O                             | N/A    | cos      | REPEAT        |             |  |  |  |
| Person-in-charge present, demonstrate  | es knowledge, and performs duties           | ¤     | i      | i                               | i      |          |               |             |  |  |  |
| 2. Certified Food Protection Manager   |   | ¤     | i      | i                               | i      |          |               |             |  |  |  |
| MM   |   |       |        |                                 |        |          |               |             |  |  |  |
| Inspector  | Acknowledged Receipt : Person in            | charg | je did | not v                           | vant   | to sig   | n             | Page 1 of 7 |  |  |  |

| T Ood Establishment inspection   | ινομ | OIL |     |     |     |        |
|--|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|
| Employee Health  | IN   | OUT | N/O | N/A | cos | REPEAT |
| 3. Management, food employee and conditional employee; knowledge, responsibilities and reporting | ¤    | İ   | i   | i   |     |        |
| 4. Proper Use of Restriction & Exclusion   | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     | • •    |
| 5. Procedures for responding to vomiting and diarrheal events                                    | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     |        |
| Good Hygienic Practices  | IN   | OUT | N/O | N/A | cos | REPEAT |
| 6. Proper eating, tasting, drinking, or tobacco use  | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     |        |
| 7. No discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth   | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     |        |
| Preventing Contamination by Hands  | IN   | OUT | N/O | N/A | cos | REPEAT |
| 8. Hands clean & properly washed   | i    | i   | ¤   | i   |     |        |
| 9. No bare hand contact with RTE food  | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     |        |
| 10. Adequate handwashing sinks properly supplied and accessible                                  | i    | ¤   | i   | i   |     | þ      |
| Approved Sources   | IN   | OUT | N/O | N/A | cos | REPEAT |
| 11. Food obtained from approved source   | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     |        |
| 12. Food received at proper temperature  | i    | i   | ¤   | i   |     |        |
| 13. Food in good condition, honestly presented, safe, & unadulterated                            | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     |        |
| 14. Required records available: shellstock tags, parasite destruction                            | i    | i   | i   | ¤   |     | ••     |
| Protection from Contamination  | IN   | OUT | N/O | N/A | cos | REPEAT |
| 15. Food separated and protected   | i    | ¤   | i   | i   |     | þ      |
| 16. Food-contact surfaces: cleaned & sanitized   | i    | ¤   | i   | i   |     | þ      |
| 17. Proper disposition of returned, previously served reconditions, & unsafe food                | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     |        |
| Time/Temperature Control for Safety  | IN   | OUT | N/O | N/A | cos | REPEAT |
| 18. Proper cooking time & temperatures   | i    | i   | ¤   | i   |     |        |
| 19. Proper reheating procedures for hot holding  | i    | i   | ¤   | i   |     |        |
| 20. Proper cooling time and temperature  | i    | i   | ¤   | i   |     | ••     |
| 21. Proper hot holding temperatures  | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     | ••     |
| This item has Notes. See Footnote 1 at end of questionnaire.                                     |      |     |     |     |     |        |
| 22. Proper cold holding temperatures   | ¤    | i   | İ   | İ   |     | ••     |
| This item has Notes. See Footnote 2 at end of questionnaire.                                     |      |     |     |     |     |        |
| 23. Proper date marking and disposition  | i    | ¤   | İ   | İ   |     |        |
| 24. Time as a Public Health Control  | İ    | i   | İ   | ¤   | ••  | ••     |
| Consumer Advisory  | IN   | OUT | N/O | N/A | cos | REPEAT |
| 25. Consumer advisory provided for raw / undercooked foods                                       | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     | ••     |
| Highly Susceptible Populations (HSP)   | IN   | OUT | N/O | N/A | cos | REPEAT |
| 26. Pasteurized foods used; prohibited foods not offered   | ¤    | i   | i   | i   |     | •••    |

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|--|----------|-------|--------|--------|---------|-----------|
| Food/Color Additives and Toxic Substances  | IN       | OUT   | N/O    | N/A    | cos     | REPEAT    |
| 27. Food additives: approved and properly used   | i        | i     | i      | ¤      |         | ••        |
| 28. Toxic substances identified, stored, and used  | ¤        | i     | i      | i      |         |           |
| Conformance with Approved Procedures   | IN       | OUT   | N/O    | N/A    | cos     | REPEAT    |
| 29. Compliance with variance / specialized process / HACCP Plan                          | i        | i     | i      | ¤      |         |           |
| GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES  |          |       |        |        |         |           |
| Good Retail Practices are preventative measures to control the addition of pathogens, ch | nemicals | s and | nhvsi  | cal oh | iects i | nto foods |
|  |          |       |        |        | -       |           |
| IN = In compliance OUT = not in compliance COS - corrected on -site during inspection    | DII KER  | 'EAT  | = repe | at vic | nation  |           |
| Safe Food and Water  | IN       | OUT   | N/O    | N/A    | cos     | REPEAT    |
| 30. Pasteurized eggs used where required   | ¤        | i     | i      | i      | ••      | • •       |
| 31. Water & ice from approved source   | i        | i     | i      | i      | ••      | ••        |
| 32. Variance obtained for specialized processing methods                                 | i        | i     | i      | ¤      | ••      |           |
| Food Temperature Control   | IN       | OUT   | N/O    | N/A    | cos     | REPEAT    |
| 33. Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control              | i        | i     | ¤      | i      |         |           |
| 34. Plant food properly cooked for hot holding   | i        | i     | ¤      | i      | ••      | • •       |
| 35. Approved thawing methods used  | i        | i     | ¤      | i      |         |           |
| 36. Thermometers provided and accurate   | i        | i     | i      | i      |         |           |
| Food Identification  | IN       | OUT   | N/O    | N/A    | cos     | REPEAT    |
| 37. Food properly labeled; original container  | i        | i     | i      | i      | ••      | • •       |
| Prevention of Food Contamination   | IN       | OUT   | N/O    | N/A    | cos     | REPEAT    |
| 38. Insects, rodents, & animals not present  | i        | i     | i      | i      | ••      | • •       |
| 39. Contamination prevented during food preparation, storage and display                 | i        | i     | i      | i      | ••      | ••        |
| 40. Personal cleanliness   | i        | i     | i      | i      | ••      |           |
| 41. Wiping cloths; properly used and stored  | i        | ¤     | i      | i      |         | þ         |
| 42. Washing fruits & vegetables  | i        | i     | i      | i      | ••      |           |
| Proper Use of Utensils   | IN       | OUT   | N/O    | N/A    | cos     | REPEAT    |
| 43. In-use utensils properly stored  | i        | ¤     | i      | i      | ••      |           |
| 44. Utensils, equipment & linens: properly stored, dried, & handled                      | i        | i     | i      | i      | ••      | ••        |
| 45. Single-use/ single service articles: properly stored and used                        | i        | i     | i      | i      | ••      | • •       |
| 46. Gloves used properly   | i        | i     | i      | i      | ••      | ••        |
| Utensils, Equipment and Vending  | IN       | OUT   | Γ N/C  | N/A    | os      | REPEAT    |
| 47. Food & non-food contact surfaces cleanable, properly designed, constructed & us      | sed İ    | ¤     | i      | i      |         | þ         |
| 48. Warewashing facilities: installed, maintained, & used; test strips                   | i        | ¤     | i      | i      |         |           |

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### Food Establishment Inspection Report Utensils, Equipment and Vending OUT N/O N/A OS REPEAT 49. Non-food contact surfaces clean **Physical Facilities** OUT N/O N/A COS REPEAT 50. Hot & cold water available; adequate pressure 51. Plumbing installed; proper backflow devices 52. Sewage and waste water properly disposed 53. Toilet features: properly constructed, supplied, & cleaned 54. Garbage & refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained ¤ 55. Physical facilities installed, maintained, & clean þ 56. Adequate ventilation & lighting; designated areas used MASSACHUSETTS ONLY REGULATIONS Rules and Regulations adopted for use in Massachusetts only. Additional Requirements listed in 105 CMR 590.011 OUT N/O N/A COS REPEAT M1. Anti-choking procedures in food service establishment ¤ ¤ M2. Food allergy awareness Review of Retail Operations listed in 105 CMR 590.010 OUT N/O N/A COS REPEAT M3. Caterer M4. Mobile Food Operation M5. Temporary Food Establishment M6. Public Market; Farmers Market M7. Residential Kitchen; Bed-and-Breakfast Operation M8. Residential Kitchen: Cottage Food Operation M9. School Kitchen; USDA Nutrition Program M10. Leased Commercial Kitchen M11. Innovative Operation OUT N/O N/A COS REPEAT Local Requirements

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L1. Local law or regulation

Discussion with Person-in-Charge

L2. Other

Inspector Acknowledged Receipt : Person in charge did not want to sign

Fail Notes Summary Code Text 10. Adequate handwashing sinks properly supplied and accessible 5-205.11 Priority Foundation; Food debris in handwashing sink by warewashing station. Handwashing sink is for handwashing only. 6-301.12 Priority Foundation; No paper towels or hand drying provision in employee restroom. Provide hand drying provision. 6-301.14 Core; Handwashing only sign is posted at 3-bay sink in bar area, not at handwashing sink. 3bay sink is being used for warewashing and other activities. Move handwashing only sign to handwashing sink. 15. Food separated and protected 3-302.11(A)(1)(A)(2) Priority; Tamales in walk in cooler being stored uncovered. Raw chicken being stored above raw beef in walk in cooler. Raw chicken should be stored and segregated on a lower shelf to prevent cross contamination. Grated cheese and prepped peppers and onions being stored uncovered in walk in cooler. Raw seafood being stored over churros. Raw chicken and beef being stored above french fries and breaded cooked chicken wings. Do not store raw animal proteins over ready to eat foods or foods that will not be cooked at a high enough temperature. 16. Food-contact surfaces: cleaned & sanitized 4-601.11(A) Priority Foundation; Brown mildew-like substance on upper interior surfaces of ice machine. Wash/rinse/sanitize interior of machine thoroughly. 21. Proper hot holding temperatures This item has Notes. See Footnote 1 at end of questionnaire. 22. Proper cold holding temperatures This item has Notes. See Footnote 2 at end of questionnaire. 23. Proper date marking and disposition 3-501.18 Priority; pork ribs past use by date of 4/11/25 and mango past use by date of 4/12/25. When showing person in charge the past due items, it was noted that the past due date on the mango had been changed to 4/18/25. This date marking practice is unacceptable. Discard both past due products. No prep or discard dates on guacamole and salsa in walk in cooler. 41. Wiping cloths; properly used and stored 3-304.14 Core; cleaning rags in kitchen not being stored submerged in sanitizing solution. Cleaning rags must be stored submerged in a sanitizing solution that has been prepared at the right concentration. 43. In-use utensils properly stored 3-304.12 Core; In use food chopper being stored between prep table and wall. This area is not cleaned. Do not store utensils in these gaps. Scoop in bulk salsa container in walk in cooler floating in salsa. Keep scoop handles out of product. 47. Food & non-food contact surfaces cleanable, properly designed, constructed & used

| 48. Warewashing | facilities: | installed, | maintained, | & used; to | est strips |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
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Core; CO2 tanks not secured near soda dispenser in basement. Secure tanks to prevent

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4-501.11

| Code                   | Text   |
|------------------------|--|
| 4-302.14               | Priority Foundation; Test strips not being used. All containers of strips were unopened. Strips should be used daily to ensure sanitizing solution is being prepared at correct concentration.   |
| 49. Non-food contac    | et surfaces clean  |
| 4-601.11(B),(C)        | Core; Wall fans in kitchen have thick accumulation of dust/debris on fans and fan guards. Wash/rinse/sanitize thoroughly to prevent dust/debris from blowing onto food. Walls in walk in cooler have mold/mildew spots. Wash/rinse/sanitize all areas thoroughly. Exterior of True freezer soiled. Wash/rinse/sanitize thoroughly. Interior lower shelves of prep stations soiled. Wash/rinse/sanitize thoroughly. |
| 55 Physical facilities | s installed, maintained, & clean   |
| •                      |  |
| 6-501.16               | Core; Mops not hung to air dry after use. Hang mops to air dry after use.  |
| M2. Food allergy aw    | vareness   |
| [590.011(C)]           | MA; No food allergy posters hung in food prep areas. Food allergy posters must be hung in food prep areas. Posters provided to person in charge during inspection.   |

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### Footnote 1

### Notes:

sauce - hot holding - 161F

### Footnote 2

### Notes:

Asher freezer ambient - 4F walk in cooler ambient - 39.7F Frigidaire refrigerator by tortilla dispenser ambient - 41.1F Atosa refrigerator ambient - 39.3F cheese - prep station upper tray - 39F chest cooler at bar ambient - 39F

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