

Public Protection (food & safety)

Food Premises Inspection Report

Name of business:	Co-op Foodstore
Address of food business:	85 - 87 Lovelace Road Norwich, NR4 7AE
Date of inspection:	30/10/2025
Risk rating reference:	25/00814/FOOD
Premises reference:	10430/0085/0/000
Type of premises:	Grocery/supermarket
Areas inspected:	All
Records examined:	Temperature Control Records, Training Certificates/records
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	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 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. **(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:

- electrical items were found charging on the worktop used for re-packaging doughnuts
- bicycles were stored in the room used for re-packaging doughnuts

Observation The store no longer uses its bake-off section; however defrosting and re-packaging of doughnuts does still take place at this store.

Handwashing

Observation I was pleased to see handwashing was well managed.

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 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. **(5)**

Cleaning of Structure

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

- flies found near the window in the storeroom
- high level cleaning in the storeroom
- around equipment feet in the re-packaging room

Recommendation Remove redundant items (bicycles) from food rooms and ensure you put away deliveries efficiently to avoid storing boxes on the floor.

Cleaning of Equipment and Food Contact Surfaces

Recommendation Remove the sticky tape from the worktop.

Cleaning Chemicals / Materials / Equipment and Methods

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.

Observation I was pleased to see that the premises was generally kept clean.

Maintenance

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

- broken floor tiles in the packing room and a few holes in the wall tiles
- minor damage to wall surfaces in the storeroom

Observation I was pleased to see the shop had been refurbished in 2023 and remained in good condition. The storeroom/back of house was not refurbished at the time.

Facilities and Structural provision

Observation I was pleased to see the premises had been generally well maintained and 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. Your last pest control check on 29/10/2025 noted no issues.

3. Confidence in Management

A food safety management system is in place, and you comply fully with the law. Hazards to food are understood properly controlled managed and reviewed. Your records are appropriate and being maintained. All your staff are suitably supervised and trained. You have a very good track record. **(0)**

Type of Food Safety Management System Required

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

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.

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 (Biffa).

Training

Observation I was pleased to see that staff had been trained to an appropriate level and evidence of their training was made available.

Allergens

Observation Food products wrapped and labelled.