

Public Protection (food & safety)**Food Premises Inspection Report**

Name of business:	Ernie's Zero Waste Shop
Address of food business:	13 - 14 Anglia Square Norwich NR3 1DY
Date of inspection:	11/03/2025
Risk rating reference:	25/00241/FOOD
Premises reference:	25/00073/FD_HS
Type of premises:	Retail shop
Areas inspected:	All
Records examined:	Temperature Control Records, SFBB
Details of samples procured:	None
Summary of action taken:	Informal
General description of business:	Retail shop

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. **(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:

- Scoops left in boxes of food items in the freezer

Recommendation Regularly check equipment for deterioration. For example, the plastic coating on food tongs splits and cracks over time and risks plastic contaminating food and makes cleaning difficult.

Recommendation When you are storing bags of dried foods in a container keep the container clean to prevent the harbourage of dried food pests.

Observation I was pleased to see you were able to demonstrate effective controls to prevent cross-contamination.

Hand washing

Information Hand washing is required:

- * before handling ready-to-eat food
- * after touching raw food and its packaging, including unwashed fruit and vegetables
- * after a break/smoking
- * after going to the toilet
- * after cleaning
- * after removing waste
- * after blowing your nose

Observation I was pleased to see hand washing was well managed by using a mobile wash hand station.

Personal Hygiene

Observation Standards of personal hygiene were high.

Temperature Control

Observation I was pleased to see you were able to limit bacterial growth 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 premises had been well maintained and the standard of cleaning was good.

Recommendation The carpet on the floor makes the premises more difficult to clean. Easy to clean impervious surfaces are recommended.

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.

Observation I was pleased to see that the premises was kept clean and that your cleaning materials, methods and equipment were able to minimise the spread of harmful bacteria between surfaces.

Maintenance

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

- Wall surfaces were damaged (plaster crumbling near the stairs)

Facilities and Structural provision

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

Pest Control

Contravention Pest proofing needs improving in the following area:

- There was a small gap under the external doors at the back

Observation You have a pest control contract in place and there is no evidence of pest activity on the premises.

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. **(Score 0)**

Type of Food Safety Management System Required

Observation Your SFBB retail pack 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 and could demonstrate effective systems for controlling bacterial growth.

Traceability

Observation Your records were such that food could easily be traced back to its supplier. You have very good stock control measures in place.

Infection Control / Sickness / Exclusion Policy

Guidance UK Health Security Agency recommends 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.

Allergens

Observation You had identified the presence of allergens in your non-prepacked food and had brought this to the attention of your customers.