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Worst Rating Twice in a Row for One Food Serving Establishment in Latest Health Inspections

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One food-serving establishment received the lowest rating ("C") for the second time in a row, and six others got the best rating ("A") in health inspection reports just released by the Darien Health Department.

The seven inspections were done from Oct. Nov. 2 to 8.

Most Recent Inspection Results

Here's an alphabetical list of the most recently released health inspection results (an explanation for each

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part of the list, including links, is just below the list).

Keep in mind that a food-serving establishment with a history of good ratings may occasionally get a poor inspection rating, occasionally the best do, and every restaurant normally gets a few things wrong (an explanation of how this list is put together is immediately below it):

—Chipotle Mexican Grill — Darien North rest stop on Interstate 95 — [Nov. 7](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 93

—Dunkin Donuts — Darien North rest stop on Interstate 95 — [Nov. 6](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 94

—McDonald's — Darien North rest stop on Interstate 95 — Nov. 8 — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 95

—Sbarro — Darien North rest stop on Interstate 95 — [Nov. 7](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 94

—Subway — Darien North rest stop on Interstate 95 — [Nov 6](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 95

—Taco Bell — Darien North rest stop on Interstate 95 — [Nov. 6](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 95

—Unidine at Zotos International — 100 Tokeneke Road — [Nov. 2](#) — [Town Rating: C](#) — State Score: 90
— *Inspector's Remarks:* "New employees [have] no documentation of training; thermometers missing in cold-holding units; band-aid on finger. No glove used; misuse of hand sink, rinsing wiping cloth; unclean wiping cloths left on service line; microwave unclean and inside of the salad spinner unclean; waste receptacle missing at line hand sink." — *Inspector's additional comments:* "Some improvements. Must [be] training employees and document this training."

* *Six days before Unidine's Oct. 27 inspection, it was inspected and also received a "C." (Shortly after a poor showing in a health inspection, establishments typically are reinspected.) See [this previous article](#), published Oct. 27.*

Dates link to the food establishment's inspection report referenced here (when available, sometimes it takes a while to get posted online), and **Darien's own A/B/C ratings** link to a Web page showing several of the restaurant's recent inspection ratings.

See also:

- [Our previous article](#) showing restaurant inspection ratings (Nov. 3)

- [Darien Health Department Starts Letter Grades for Food Service Inspections](#)

For restaurants and other food-serving establishments rated "C," and for some others of interest to the public (like schools) additional information is given. When we provide that information here, then words within brackets (" []") have been added for clarity by Darienite.com; semicolons like this (" ; ") separate individual comments by the inspectors. Each comment is about a particular violation that triggers a deduction of one or more points from a perfect state score of 100.

How Darien's Restaurants Are Rated

Restaurants in town are rated under the Darien Health Department's own A/B/C ratings system. Health inspectors also use the state health code regulations to score restaurants, with a perfect score set at 100, and demerits (of 1 to 4 points each) for various code violations.

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The Darien system takes into account problems that are ongoing, so a restaurant scoring higher than others on the state scale may actually get a lower score on the Darien scale.

You can find the past several inspection ratings under the Darien ratings system for food-serving establishments [on this website](#), and now you can also find copies of inspection reports, including state health code scores in the same place.

Any establishment actually deemed unsafe can be closed by the town Health Department until violations are fixed. Town Health Director David Knauf says that has never happened in the time he's been with the department.