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Latest Health Inspections for Nine Food Serving Establishments in Darien

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Three Darien restaurants each received an "A" — the best rating in the town's A-B-C health inspection ratings system, and six others received a "B" in the nine most recent reports released Thursday by Darien Health Department.

None of the inspections resulted in the worst rating — "C" — for any of the establishments. The seven inspections took place between April 10 and 22.

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.

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Here's an alphabetical list of the most recently released health inspection results (an explanation of how this list is put together is immediately below it):

—Chipotle Mexican Grill — 71 Post Road — [April 15](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 97

—Driftwood Diner — 171 Post Road — April 22 — [Town Rating: B](#) — State Score: 92

—Dunkin Donuts — 967 Post Road — [April 15](#) — [Town Rating: B](#) — State Score: 90

—The Goose American Bistro & Bar — 972 Post Road — [April 15](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 93 —
Editor's note: The Darien Health Department corrected its original announcement of a rating ("B"), previously published by Darienite.com.

—Michael Joseph's Catering — 1405 Post Road — [April 15](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 92

—Roost Darien — 1950 Post Road — [April 16](#) — [Town Rating: B](#) — State Score: 95

—Scena Wine Bar & Restaurant — 1077 Post Road — [April 17](#) — [Town Rating: B](#) — State Score: 89

—Sugar Bowl — 1033 Post Road — [April 10](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 94

—Tokeneke Club — 4 Butler's Island Road Post Road — [April 21](#) — [Town Rating: B](#) — State Score: 91

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.

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 (";") separate individual comments by the inspectors. Each comment separated by semicolons is about a particular violation that triggers a deduction of one or more points from a perfect state score of 100.

See also:

- [Our previous article](#) showing restaurant inspection ratings (April 11)
- [STAMFORD online health inspection results](#)

- [NORWALK](#) online health inspection ratings ([explanation of ratings](#))

You can find the past several inspection ratings under the **Darien** ratings system for food-serving establishments along with copies of inspection reports, including state health code scores [on this website](#).

How Darien's Food-Serving Places 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.

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.