
Worst Rating — 'C' — for One Darien Food-Serving Establishment in Latest Health Inspections

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One Darien food-serving establishment received a "C" — the worst rating in the town's A-B-C health ratings system, another received a "B" and a third an "A" in the most recent inspection reports released Thursday by Darien Health Department.

The third inspections took place between May 3 and 10.

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.

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):

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NOTE: Darien Health Department originally reported that the [Goose American Bistro & Bar](#) restaurant received a "B" rating in its [April 15 inspection](#), which [Darienite.com](#) reported. The department has corrected that statement and says the Goose actually received an "A" rating.

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—Fisherman's Net — 11 Old Kings Hwy. North — [May 13](#) — [Town Rating: C](#) — State Score: 85 —
Inspector's Remarks: "No qualified food operator present; no QFO alternate present; no documentation of any training of employees; foods left uncovered during storage; label to-go items and any item no longer in its original container [with] date of production or date opened; bowls, utensils not stored inverted; floor in walk-in cooler unclean; floor in walk-in freezer in poor repair; unnecessary items in prep area." — *Inspector's Comments:* "Will check back on Wednesday about QFO status. Owner stated that he has taken all the required classes but needs to take the test. He will have his employees take the online course offered through our [Darien Health Department's] website. I told him to have it done by Friday, May 17. Shellfish tags OK. New lobster tank in place but not operational. Organization OK. Overall cleanliness OK. Three soups: 149, 160, 148 [degrees]."

—Hibachi Sushi Ya — 111 Old Kings Hwy. North — [May 10](#) — [Town Rating: B](#) — State Score: 87

—Hindley School — 10 Nearwater Lane — [May 3](#) — [Town Rating: A](#) — State Score: 100 (a perfect score)

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 (May 10)
- [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

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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.