



## Food Establishment Inspection Report

Johnson County Public Health  855 S Dubuque ST STE 113 Iowa City, IA 52240-0083	No. Of Risk Factor/Intervention Violations  No. Of Repeat Factor/Intervention Violations	3  2	Date: 4/15/2026 Time In: 11:00 AM Time Out: 1:00 PM
<b>Establishment: BLUE ELEPHANT THAI RESTAURANT</b>	<b>Address: 2301 2ND ST</b>	<b>City/State: Coralville, IA</b>	<b>Zip: 52241</b>
<b>License/Permit#: 193696 - Food Service Establishment License</b>	<b>Permit Holder: BLUE ELEPHANT, INC.</b>	<b>Inspection Reason: Routine</b>	<b>Est. Type: Restaurants</b>
<b>Telephone: 3193514543</b> <b>Risk Category: Risk Level 3 (Medium)</b>			

### FOODBORNE ILLNESS RISK FACTORS AND PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

IN = In compliance OUT = Not in compliance N/O = Not observed N/A = Not applicable (\*) = Corrected on site during inspection (COS) R = Repeat violation

<b>Supervision</b> 1. Person in charge present, demonstrates knowledge, and performs duties IN 2. Certified Food Protection Manager IN <b>Employee Health</b> 3. Management, food employee and conditional employee knowledge, responsibilities and reporting IN 4. Proper use of exclusions and restrictions IN 5. Procedures for responding to vomiting and diarrheal events IN <b>Good Hygienic Practices</b> 6. Proper eating, tasting, drinking, or tobacco use IN 7. No discharge from eyes, nose, and mouth IN <b>Control of Hands as a Vehicle of Contamination</b> 8. Hands clean and properly washed IN 9. No bare hand contact with ready to eat foods IN 10. Hand washing sinks properly supplied and accessible IN <b>Approved Source</b> 11. Foods obtained from an approved source IN 12. Foods received at proper temperatures N/O 13. Food in good condition, safe, and unadulterated IN 14. Required records available; shellstock tags, parasite destruction N/A <b>Protection from Contamination</b>	15. Food separated and protected (Cross Contamination and Environmental) IN 16. Food contact surfaces: cleaned and sanitized OUT, (*), R 17. Proper disposition of returned, previously served, reconditioned, and unsafe food IN <b>Potentially Hazardous Food Time/Temperature Control for Safety</b> 18. Proper cooking time and temperatures N/O 19. Proper reheating procedures of hot holding N/O 20. Proper cooling time and temperatures OUT, (*) 21. Proper hot holding temperatures IN 22. Proper cold holding temperatures IN 23. Proper date marking and disposition OUT, R 24. Time as a public health control: procedures and records N/A <b>Consumer Advisory</b> 25. Consumer advisory provided for raw or undercooked foods N/A <b>Highly Susceptible Populations</b> 26. Pasteurized foods used; prohibited foods not offered N/A <b>Food/Color Additives and Toxic Substances</b> 27. Food additives: approved, properly stored, and used IN 28. Toxic substances properly identified, stored and used IN <b>Conformance with Approved Procedures</b> 29. Compliance with variance, specialized process, reduced oxygen packaging criteria, and HACCP plan N/A
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### GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES

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<b>Safe Food and Water</b> 30. Pasteurized eggs used where required N/A 31. Water and ice from approved source IN 32. Variance obtained for specialized processing methods N/A <b>Food Temperature Control</b> 33. Proper cooling methods used; adequate equipment for temperature control IN 34. Plant food properly cooked for hot holding IN 35. Approved thawing methods IN 36. Thermometers provided and accurate IN <b>Food Identification</b> 37. Food properly labeled; original container OUT <b>Prevention of Food Contamination</b> 38. Insects, rodents, and animals not present/outer openings protected IN 39. Contamination prevented during food preparation, storage and display IN 40. Personal cleanliness IN 41. Wiping cloths: properly used and stored IN 42. Washing fruits and vegetables IN	<b>Proper Use of Utensils</b> 43. In use utensils: properly stored IN 44. Utensils, equipment, and linens: properly stored dried and handled IN 45. Single-use/single service articles: properly stored and used IN 46. Slash-resistant and cloth glove use N/A <b>Utensils, Equipment, and Vending</b> 47. Food and non-food contact surfaces are cleanable, properly designed, constructed, and used OUT 48. Warewashing facilities: installed, maintained, and used; test strips IN 49. Non-food contact surfaces clean IN <b>Physical Facilities</b> 50. Hot and Cold water available; adequate pressure IN 51. Plumbing installed; proper backflow devices IN 52. Sewage and waste water properly disposed IN 53. Toilet facilities; properly constructed, supplied, and cleaned IN 54. Garbage and refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained IN 55. Physical facilities installed, maintained, and clean OUT 56. Adequate ventilation and lighting; designated areas used IN 57. Licensing; posting licenses and reports; smoking IN
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Inspection reports shall be posted no higher than eye level where the public can see and in a manner that the public can reasonably read the report.

P - Priority      PF- Priority Foundation      C - Core

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Item Number	Violation of Code	Priority Level	Comment	Correct By Date
16.	4-501.114 (A-E)(F)(1)&(2)	P	Observation: Chlorine sanitizer solution in buckets around kitchen tested <50ppm.  Corrected by: Sanitizer solution was remade and tested at the correct concentration.	COS
20.	3-501.14(A)	P	Observation: Tom Yum sauce(80F) and containers of cooked rice(44.4F,42.4F) prepared the prior evening were not cooled below 41F within 6hrs.  Corrected by: Person in charge voluntarily discarded items.	COS
23.	3-501.17	PF	Observation: Numerous containers of prepared foods and sauces lacked date marking of the preparation date.  Person in charge began dating containers during the inspection.	4/25/2026

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37.	3-302.12	C	Observation: Containers holding foods in coolers around the kitchen lack labeling or are labeled with an item that does not match the container.	4/25/2026
47.	4-101.19	C	Observation: Single use foil used as a liner for shelving and the lid of a deep freezer used as a table top.  Have foil replaced with a smooth durable and cleanable surface covering.	4/25/2026
55.	6-501.12, 6-501.13	C	Observation: Debris build up on walls above expo table, wall and ceiling above walk-in cooler, blades of box fan and handle of walk-in cooler.  Have surfaces cleaned. Discussed adding handle to cleaning list to ensure handle remains clean and not a source of cross contamination.	4/25/2026

**Inspection Published Comment:**

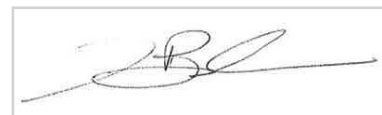
Routine inspection conducted. A physical recheck will occur on or after 4/25/26 to verify corrections have been made.

Follow-up will be completed on or after 4/25/2026 by Physical Recheck.

The following guidance documents have been issued:



Saksayam Langkhunsen  
Person In Charge



Jesse Bockelman  
Inspector