Dining with Confidence



What is Dining with Confidence?

Dining with Confidence Ordinance is an ordinance passed by the Detroit City Council in June of 2024 that goes into effect starting Tuesday, October 1st, 2024.

The ordinance serves to raise awareness about Detroit Health Department inspections, which are posted online, and may provide another incentive for restaurants to correct violations and work to avoid repeat violations.

Goals of the Ordinance

- Increase visibility and transparency regarding food safety inspections.
- Provide incentives for restaurants to improve and maintain high food safety standards.
- Educate the public about the inspection process and results.
- Encourage corrective actions to avoid repeat violations and enforcement measures.

How Does the Placard System Work?

Restaurants will receive one of three placards based on the results of routine inspections conducted by the Detroit Health Department:



GREEN PLACARD (IN COMPLIANCE)

This means the restaurant has no serious food safety violations, or they fixed all of them during the inspection. They have fewer than five safety problems, aren't facing any punishments, only need a follow-up for small cleaning issues, and have a valid Food Service license.



WHITE PLACARD (INFORMATIONAL)

If the restaurant doesn't qualify for a green sign, a temporary sign will be put up. This sign gives basic information about the program and tells people to visit the inspection website for more details.



RED PLACARD (CLOSED)

A red sign will be posted if the restaurant doesn't have a valid food service license, has a serious health risk, or is at the final step of enforcement.



MORE INFORMATION

For details about the program and to find inspection results and overall food safety ratings, scan the QR code or visit **detroitmi.gov/diningwithconfidence**

