

Where is Wake Forest's Jurisdiction?

Have you ever wondered why your mailing address includes a Wake Forest ZIP code, but your residence is not considered to be inside the town's corporate limits?

While it's often assumed that properties with addresses that end with *Wake Forest, NC 27587*, are located within Wake Forest's jurisdiction - that's not always the case.

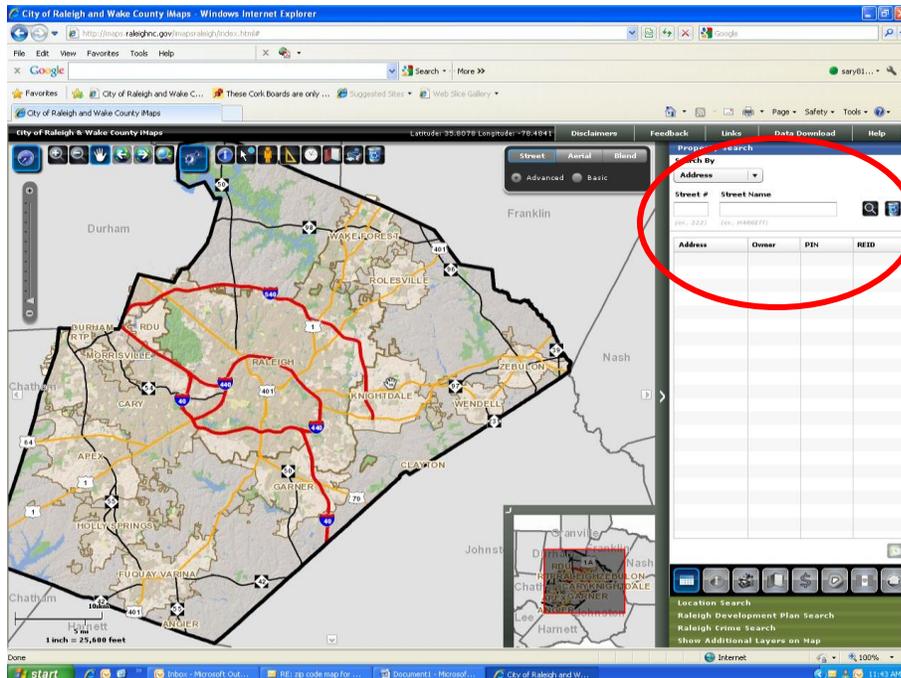
In the map shown below, Wake Forest's jurisdiction is illustrated in brown (Corporate Limits) and tan (Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction - ETJ). The remaining area outlined in red and highlighted in yellow is part of the 27587 ZIP Code – yet it is not within the Town's jurisdiction.

According to the United States Postal Service, a "ZIP" code is an acronym that stands for "Zone Improvement Plan." By definition, it is a system of postal codes used by the USPS to assign geographical areas for postal delivery. These codes are usually assigned to areas as they relate to the nearest Post Office. For more information about ZIP codes, visit www.usps.com.

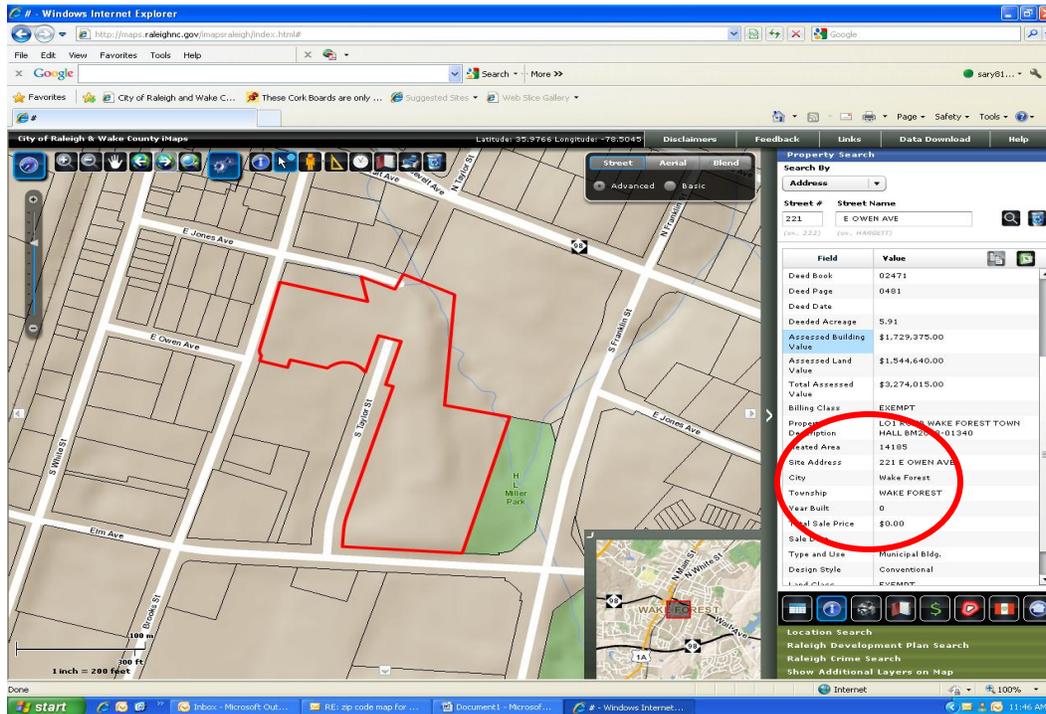
Town of Wake Forest has prepared a Wake Forest Zip Code map to assist citizens and residents of the greater Wake Forest area in determining whether their residence/property is located within the Town of Wake Forest's Corporate Limits, Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) or Wake County's jurisdiction. The map can be viewed by clicking on this link:

[..\..\Website\Maps\Zipcode27587_v2.pdf](http://www.wakeforestnc.gov/Website/Maps/Zipcode27587_v2.pdf)

We invite area residents to utilize this map to identify the jurisdiction in which their property is located. You can conduct a more detailed search via iMaps, which is a free mapping service provided by the City of Raleigh and Wake County. To use this site, visit <http://maps.raleighnc.gov/imapsraleigh/index.html#default> and enter your street address in the applicable area as illustrated below:



Once you've entered your address, a property search is performed and your jurisdiction is provided.



If no "city" is listed in this area, your property is either located in the Town's ETJ or within Wake County's jurisdiction. To confirm your location, refer to the Town's official Corporate Limits Map at .../Website/Maps/JurisdictionMap.pdf

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