



## **WAKE COUNTY CHECK ACCEPTANCE POLICY**

Checks must be made payable to Wake County.

**Wake County accepts personal checks, certified checks, cashier's checks and money orders with proper identification.**

Check must be written for exact amount.

Check must be pre-printed with the payer's name, address, bank account and routing number. A street address must be provided if a PO Box is printed on check.

A valid North Carolina driver's license with a photo ID must be presented. If driver's license is not available, a North Carolina identification card or U.S. passport with a photo ID is acceptable.

Out of state checks are not accepted unless accompanied by NC driver's license, local address and local phone number.

### **Not accepted**

- Starter checks and counter checks
- Two party checks (checks made payable to Wake County and another party)
- Third party checks (checks made payable to an organization other than the one accepting or cashing check – example, a paycheck)
- Post-dated or pre-dated checks

**Wake County reserves the right to refuse acceptance of any check whenever intent, validity, authenticity and/or availability of funds are in question.**

**A FEE OF \$25 WILL BE CHARGED  
BY WAKE COUNTY FOR ALL RETURNED CHECKS.**

**RETURNED CHECKS NOT PAID IN FULL TO WAKE COUNTY BY THE DUE DATE  
WILL BE TURNED OVER TO THE WAKE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S  
WORTHLESS CHECK PROGRAM. ADDITIONAL FEES WILL BE ASSESSED.**