

## **Postal area code of the city/ town**

The *postal code*, *post code*, *postcode*, or *ZIP code* is a group of numbers or letters that are added to a postal address to assist the sorting of mail.

The format of the postal codes differs from country to country. There are for instance differences between the total number of digits (Belgium: 4 digits, Brazil: 8 digits), and the combination of numbers and numbers + letters (Chile: NNNNNN = 6 numbers, Netherlands: NNNN AA = 4 numbers, 2 letters).

Some countries do not have a postal code at all (e.g. Ireland, Panama).