

Inquiry into volunteering in Queensland

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Volunteering in the SES has been a very satisfying experience in that you learn so much from very experienced members and it is so rewarding to see satisfied customers when you finish a task. However as a part of the neurodiverse community i find it rude and frustrating the way people are so ignorant of our differences. Numerous times this has led to me being very embareded and makes me question if it is worth continuing. The discrimination in how things are done is not intentional, but its effects are real and you should not go home in tears just because i am different to other people. Or is it because they are different to me? It is a shame, because the structure in the way things are done ie a figure of 8 knot is tied this way is just what we in the neurodiverse community need to thrive. Just for that to happen, the way things are done needs some treaks to accomodate us.