

**Question on Notice  
No. 1507  
Asked on 29 November 2006**

MR MALONE asked the Minister for Emergency Services (MR PURCELL) -

**QUESTION:**

With reference to the replacement/turnover of operational vehicles for the Queensland Ambulance Service:

- (1) What are the current guidelines for ambulance replacement based on both vehicle age and mileage?
- (2) How many vehicles in the current ambulance fleet are approaching these replacement triggers?
- (3) How many ambulances have passed the replacement triggers?
- (4) What are the locations of these ambulances?
- (5) When will these ambulances be replaced?

**ANSWER:**

- (1) Ambulance vehicle replacement is based on a number of factors that include life-cycle costing, economic benefit, a risk appraisal, and the overall physical and mechanical condition. Ambulance vehicles are reviewed for replacement using an assessment of the above criteria.
- (2) & (3) As at 30 November 2006, there are 134 ambulance vehicles that have been determined as approaching replacement for this financial year.
- (4)

Northern	12
Central	14
South Western	9
North Coast	29
Brisbane	29
South Eastern	34
Far Northern	7
- (5) By June 2007.