

**Question on Notice**  
**No. 187**  
**Asked on 13 March 2025**

**MS N BOYD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND WATER AND  
MINISTER FOR FIRE, DISASTER RECOVERY AND VOLUNTEERS (HON A LEAHY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to firefighters in the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service (QFRS)—

Will the Minister advise, for the period 26 February 2025 to 12 March 2025, how many firefighters that held a current/valid swiftwater rescue qualification were not available for duty for any reason (reported separately by region, division and zone)?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Fire Department (QFD) is well versed in responding to severe weather events across Queensland. I am advised that prior to, and during, ex Tropical Cyclone Alfred, Queensland Fire and Rescue (QFR) swiftwater rescue technicians were strategically placed in high-risk areas, ready to respond, while balancing the need to maintain regular service delivery across the state.

I am informed by QFD that to provide verified data on the number of firefighters with Level 1 qualification deployed, on station, on leave etc, reported separately by region, division and zone, would require an unjustifiable diversion of emergency services resources.