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Request:

I recently found out about the Cobra cutting vehicle for the LFB as it isn't seen or used much so I was curious into: What station it's based from and what the callsign for it is?

Response:

Further to your request, I can confirm LFB do hold this information. However, it is exempt from release under [Section 31 of the FOIA – Law Enforcement](#).

We do not typically provide a detailed breakdown of the equipment, such as Cobra cutting located on vehicles as it can be targeted for theft. Therefore, I would consider providing details of the location and the callsign exempt from disclosure under the FOI act under [section 31\(1\)\(a\) - Law enforcement](#). Section 31 is a qualified exemption and I must consider the public interests for and against disclosure. It is sadly the case that fire stations and appliances are targets for crime and the loss of equipment prevents the LFB from carrying out its public safety duties. I am therefore of the view that it is in the public interest not to disclose information at the detailed level you have requested.

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request on our website: <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us/>