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Request:

1) What is the number of operational firefighters ranked Station Officer and below that can be released for a one year unpaid career break/sabbatical in the London Fire Brigade?

2) How many operational firefighters ranked Station Officer and below are currently on a one year unpaid career break/sabbatical?

Please could the results be broken down to the number of firefighters per borough.

Response:

The current number at which career breaks are capped is 24. However, this is not limited by role so there is no separate limit for personnel ranked Station Officer or below.

As of October 2022, the current number of personnel on a career break is 23. We do not record career breaks by borough, however, the break down by LFB area is:

North East	4
North West	9
South East	4
South West	6

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/>