



# 1956 SERIES I LAND ROVER

## RARE EX COUNTY LAOIS FIRE SERVICE

In 1956, Laois County Council purchased seven Series I 109-Inch Pickup Land Rovers for £1,200 each, later converted into fire appliances by a Land Rover dealer in Dublin.

The 109-inch Series I debuted in summer 1956 with a 2-inch longer wheelbase. With a truck cab and canvas tilt, it was *ideal for fire appliance conversions*.

Appliance No. 5, once based in Mountmellick with Laois Fire Services, *was restored by former Longford Station Officer Pauric Cullen*.

The original 1997cc 4-cylinder petrol engine shows just 11,333 miles. It still carries its first aid hose reel in the tilt and several original-packaged hoses are included.

*An exclusive sale of  
Series Land Rovers  
fresh to the European market,  
part of a rare 12 vehicle collection.*





## OVERVIEW

The canvas tilt is in good condition, with two small holes in the roof, and the steel hood sticks are also well preserved. The bulkhead and chassis are solid, the fire engine-red paintwork vibrant and the aluminium body shows only minor wear and a light patina.

The interior is well preserved, with three front red vinyl spade seats and two rear bench seats, all in very good condition. The dashboard and original gauges are clean, fully functional, and reflect the vehicle's careful upkeep.



Appliance No. 5 is in excellent condition, thanks to careful ownership and dry storage. Last taxed and insured in 2018, it was a regular in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Edenderry, County Offaly. With strong Irish heritage, it's a rare, sought-after 1956 first-generation Land Rover linked to the Irish fire service.

A sister appliance from the Laois Fire Service, a 1956 Series I 107-Inch Pickup RHD Export CKD, Appliance No. 1 along with a separate 1938 Beresford-Stork light pump trailer is also available, presenting collectors with a rare and unmissable opportunity to secure a matched pair of Irish Land Rover fire appliances.



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### 1956 Land Rover Series I 109 - Inch Pick-up - Key Features

- Original 1997cc 4-cylinder petrol engine
- Bonnet-mounted spare wheel included
- Left and right dash-mounted windscreen wipers
- Original brown log book
- County Laois Fire Services livery
- First aid hose and reel mounted in rear
- Siren, horns, and bumper-mounted bell
- All original lenses and lighting units intact



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**Model:** Land Rover Series I 109-Inch Pick up

**Date Built:** 19th September 1956

**Colour:** Fire Engine Red

**Chassis No.:** 122603356

**Engine:** 1997cc 4-cylinder petrol

**Engine No.:** 170614505

**Mileage:** 111333

**Documentation:** Irish logbook

**Registration No.:** CI 7902

