

No: 12/83

MICROLIGHT

Ref: EW/G83/07/25

Aircraft type and registration: Hi-Way Sky Trike G-MJXY (single engined microlight aircraft)

Year of Manufacture: 1982

Date and time (GMT): 13 July 1983 at 1930 hrs

Location: Wombledon, North Yorkshire

Type of flight: Training

Persons on board: Crew – 1 Passengers – Nil

Injuries: Crew – 1 (serious) Passengers – N/A

Nature of damage: Substantial

Commander's Licence: Student

Commander's Age: 40 years

Commander's total flying experience: 29 hours (of which 3 hours were on type)

The student was briefed to carry out three circuits by his instructor. He completed the first two successfully, but reports that he experienced turbulence during the turn on to the final approach. He again experienced turbulence in the same position on his third circuit, but this time the aircraft developed a side-slip and descended into a crop of barley. The pilot was seriously injured and the aircraft suffered substantial damage.