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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 152, G-BGLH

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1978

Date & Time (UTC): 22 August 1993 at 0758 hrs

Location: Liverpool Airport

Type of Flight: Private (Training)

Persons on Board: Crew - 2 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - 1 Serious Passengers - N/A
1 Minor

Nature of Damage: Substantial

Commander's Licence: Commercial Pilot's Licence with Instrument, IMC and AFI Ratings

Commander's Age: 34 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 1,117 hours (of which 870 were on type)
Last 90 days - 95 hours
Last 28 days - 50 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The student pilot was being instructed in circuit flying and had completed three touch-and-go landings. At about 30 feet on the fourth approach with the student at the controls, the aircraft yawed to the left as he flared for landing. The instructor immediately called "I have control", took control and applied right rudder and power while attempting to push the control column forward. She was unable to move the control column and realised that the student was still gripping it. Before she could resolve the situation the aircraft stalled and impacted the runway in a nose down attitude. There was no fire and the injured instructor was able to evacuate the aircraft and assist her more seriously injured student.