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Aircraft: Slingsby T67A G-BuXB

Year of Manufacture: 1982

Date and time (GMT): 21 December 1982 at 1545 hrs

Location: Hamble Aerodrome

Type of flight: Training

Persons on board: Crew - 1 Passengers - Nil

Injuries: Crew - Nil Passengers - N/A

Nature of damage: Nosewheel and compression strut torn away, propeller shattered, engine shock loaded, minor damage to underside of port mainplane.

Commander's Licence: Student Pilot

Commander's Age: 21 years

Commander's total flying experience: 15 hours 20 mins (all of which were on type)

The student was engaged on his first solo flight, using grass runway 32 at Hamble. After touching down on all three wheels the aircraft made a short landing run in which the nosewheel and compression strut broke away, allowing the aircraft to come to rest on its nose.

With the co-operation of the manufacturer and the CAA the operating company is conducting its own detailed investigation into the causes of the accident.