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Aircraft Type and Registration: Reims Cessna F152, G-BFHU

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

Year of Manufacture: 1977

Date and Time (UTC): 11 July 1989 at 0927 hrs

Location: Halfpenny Green, West Midlands

Type of Flight: Training

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Nose landing gear collapsed; resultant damage to propeller, engine bulkhead and cowlings

Commander's Licence: Student Pilot

Commander's Age: 37 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 66 hours (of which 63 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was on a cross country training flight from Hawarden to Halfpenny Green. On arrival at Halfpenny Green the student pilot was cleared to join the circuit for an approach and landing on runway 34. The pilot reports that the approach was normal but that after the aircraft touched the runway it bounced two or three times before the nose landing gear collapsed. The pilot's diagonal upper torso restraint harness held throughout, and he was able to release himself and vacate the aircraft uninjured. The weather at the time was fine, with a surface wind of 330/07 knots.