

No: 1/86

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Aircraft type and registration: Cessna Reims FA 152 G-FLIC (light single-engined fixed wing aircraft)

Year of Manufacture: 1981

Date and time (GMT): 8 August 1985 at 1625 hrs

Location: Stapleford Tawney Aerodrome, Essex

Type of flight: Instruction/training of student

Persons on board: Crew — 1 Passengers — Nil

Injuries: Crew — None Passengers — None

Nature of damage: Substantial damage to nose landing gear, propeller, and underside engine cowlings

Commander's Licence: Student

Commander's Age: 20 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 7 hours 55 minutes (all of which were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and a flying instructor.

A student pilot was making his first solo flight from runway 22 at Stapleford aerodrome. Immediately after touch down the aircraft was observed to bounce twice before landing heavily on the nose landing gear, which collapsed. The pilot was uninjured, however the aircraft sustained substantial damage. The weather at the time was reported to be fine with a surface wind from 220° at 10 to 15 kt.