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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 152, G-WACF

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

Year of Manufacture: 1980

Date & Time (UTC): 11 July 1993 at 1324 hrs

Location: Southampton Airport

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Damage to leading edge of left wing.

Commander's Licence: Student Pilot

Commander's Age: 37 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 68 hours (all on type)
Last 90 days - 17 hours
Last 28 days - 12 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft landed on runway 20 and vacated the runway via the northern taxiway in order to park on the south apron. To pass to the rear of an aircraft which was parked further back than the others in the line, the pilot deviated about 3 metres to the left. When he was clear of it he started to turn to the right, however, his attention was still concentrated on the parked aircraft and the left wing struck a lighting mast. The aircraft swung through about 90° to the left and came to rest; the pilot shut down the engine and turned off the fuel. A flying instructor who was nearby had observed the accident and went to assist the pilot; he turned off the magnetos and battery master switch.