

Cessna 150, G-BAEP

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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 150, G-BAEP

No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental O-200-A piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1972

Date & Time (UTC): 1 July 1998 at 1030 hrs

Location: Fenland Airfield, Lincolnshire

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 - Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None - Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Nose landing gear collapsed, propeller bent and engine shock loaded

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 44 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 84 hours (of which 21 were on type)
Last 90 days - 2 hours
Last 28 days - 2 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot was on a private flight from Fenland Airfield where the runway in use was Runway 36. This runway has a grass surface and has an available landing distance of 624 metres, and the runway surface was dry. The surface wind was reported as 040_/10 to 15 kt and there was no significant cloud or weather. After an approach that the pilot considered to be normal the aircraft landed heavily on the nose landing gear which collapsed. The aircraft stopped immediately and the pilot selected the engine, fuel and electrics off before vacating the aircraft.