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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 152, G-BNJD

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

Year of Manufacture: 1979

Date & Time (UTC): 27 September 1994 at 1044 hrs

Location: Shoreham Airport, Sussex

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Minor to nose landing gear

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 41 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 98 hours (of which 74 were on type)
Last 90 days - 6 hours
Last 28 days - 4 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot carried out a standard rejoin overhead the airfield at 2,000 feet for an approach onto grass Runway 25. The weather at the time was fine with good visibility, scattered cloud and a surface wind of 260°/08 kt.

A normal approach using two stages of flap was flown and on short finals the pilot noted the speed as 70 kt. On touchdown the aircraft bounced and landed heavily a second time nosewheel first damaging the nose landing gear. The airport fire service attended the scene after the aircraft had come to rest on the northern side of the runway. The pilot, who was not injured, vacated the aircraft by the left door and assisted in manoeuvring the aircraft clear of the runway.