

**No: 2/85**

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**Aircraft type and registration:** Cessna 310R G-BJMR (light twin engined fixed wing aircraft)

**Year of Manufacture:** 1979

**Date and time (GMT):** 30 September 1984 at 1156 hrs

**Location:** Old Warden Aerodrome, Bedfordshire

**Type of flight:** Private

**Persons on board:** Crew — 1                      Passengers — 2

**Injuries:** Crew — None                      Passengers — None

**Nature of damage:** Minor — to tailplane and undercarriage door hinge

**Commander's Licence:** Private Pilot's Licence

**Commander's Age:** 68 years

**Commander's total flying experience:** 1906 hours (of which 1000 were on type)

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot, and other statements

Runway 22 at Old Warden has a grass surface and a landing distance of 613 metres. The weather was generally good with the wind estimated as coming from 250° to 300°M at 15 to 25 kt; moderate turbulence was reported on the final approach. As a result of this the pilot states that he increased his desired airspeed "by a few knots higher than normal, and touched down too late to stop". The aircraft was seen to touch down approximately halfway down the runway, become airborne, touch down again, and then overshoot. During the overshoot the aircraft struck a wire perimeter fence and posts, sustaining damage to the leading edge of both tailplanes some 18 inches inboard of both tailplane tips. The right gear door hinge also sustained damage. After landing safely, and being subject only to an external inspection, the aircraft was flown to Sherburn and thence to Leeds/Bradford airport.