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Aircraft Type and Registration: Morane Saulnier MS.880B, G-MONA

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

Year of Manufacture: 1968

Date and Time (UTC): 17 July 1988 at 1100 hrs

Location: Liverpool Airport

Type of Flight: Private (pleasure)

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Damage to the nose landing gear and propeller tips.

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 39 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 90 hours (of which 40 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The surface wind was 300°/13 kt and the pilot reported some turbulence on the approach to runway 27. In the flare, at about 10 feet agl, the aircraft stalled. The main impact was taken by the nosewheel and it was immediately apparent that this had been damaged. The nose was held off for as long as possible whilst the engine was shutdown but the propeller continued to rotate and struck the runway several times. Both occupants, who were wearing full upper torso restraint, escaped without injury.