

Fokker F28-70, G-BVTG, 15 July 1996

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Fokker F28-70, G-BVTG
No & Type of Engines:	2 Rolls Royce Tay 620-15 Spey turbofan engines
Year of Manufacture:	1995
Date & Time (UTC):	15 July 1996 at 0735 hrs
Location:	Stand 05, East Midlands Airport
Type of Flight:	Public Transport
Persons on Board:	Crew - 2 - Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Substantial to service door area
Commander's Licence:	Airline Transport Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age:	Not relevant
Commander's Flying Experience:	Not relevant
	Last 90 days - Not relevant
	Last 28 days - Not relevant
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was parked on Stand 5 at East Midlands Airport with only the operating crew on board. At 0835 hrs a catering truck approached the aircraft to dock next to the right side service door. As it did so it impacted with the aircraft with sufficient force so as to physically rock the aircraft from side to side. The commander radioed the company engineers to attend the aircraft and meet with him to inspect the area for suspected damage. Inspection revealed that the bottom of the door was torn and the surrounding structure was extensively cracked. The aircraft was subsequently removed from service.

The commander reported that the truck appeared to have its loading bridge extended as it approached the aircraft.