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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna F152, G-WACB

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-235-N2C piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1985

Date and Time (UTC): 18 September 1988 at 1000 hrs

Location: Wycombe Air Park, Bucks

Type of Flight: Training

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Substantial to nose landing gear, propeller, engine and cowlings

Commander's Licence: Student Pilot

Commander's Age: 29 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 26 hours (of which all were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The student pilot was on his first solo with the wind substantially down the runway at 10-15 kt. On turning finals he realised that he was below the correct glide-path and while correcting for this allowed his speed to increase. The subsequent landing resulted in a bounce and on the second contact with the runway the nose landing gear collapsed.