

Cessna 172S, G-UFCD

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Cessna 172S, G-UFCD	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Continental O-300-A piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2000	
Date & Time (UTC):	22 August 2001 at 1115 hrs	
Location:	Newtownards Airport, Co Down	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Damage to propeller and right wingtip	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	41 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	91 hours (of which 30 were on type)	
	Last 90 days - 4 hours	
	Last 28 days - 0 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot had taken-off at 1110 hrs to carry out some circuit flying. Runway 22 was in use and the forecast wind was 150°/ 12 kt. For his approach, the pilot had selected landing flap and maintained a constant airspeed of 70 kt. Shortly after touchdown, the pilot was aware of the left wing 'lifting' and the aircraft turning to the left; it came to rest on the grass at the edge of the runway.

Following the accident, the Duty Instructor stated that the surface wind had been varying between 160° and 230° and between 5 and 10 kt.