

Reims Cessna FA152, G-JEET

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INCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration: Reims Cessna FA152, G-JEET

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1980

Date & Time (UTC): 28 April 2001 at 1326 hrs

Location: Kent International Airport, Manston

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 - Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - None - Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Minor to propeller and wing tip

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 44 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 134 hours (of which all on type)

Last 90 days - 3 hours

Last 28 days - 2 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot was making an approach in a 15 kt crosswind to Runway 28 at Manston which is 2,752 metres long and 61 metres wide. During the landing the aircraft was flared and the drift corrected too high above the runway resulting in the development of significant drift as the wheels touched the surface. After touchdown the left wing and tail lifted allowing the propeller and right wing tip to make contact with the runway.

The pilot's instructor reported that the pilot was used to landing on a runway 37 metre wide and probably flared too high due to the visual illusion caused by landing on a runway almost twice as wide.