

Cessna 152, G-BRND

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Cessna 152, G-BRND
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine
Year of Manufacture:	1979
Date & Time (UTC):	13 November 1996 at 1510 hrs
Location:	Leicester Airport
Type of Flight:	Private (Training)
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 - Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Damage to propeller, nose landing gear, engine mounting, firewall, exhaust, cowl and lower fuselage
Commander's Licence:	Student
Commander's Age:	57 years
Commander's Flying Experience:	60 hours (all on type) Last 90 days - 11 hours Last 28 days - 4 hours
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The student pilot was carrying out circuit practice on the asphalt Runway 28 with a surface wind reported as 340° at 2 to 3kt. Two previous dual circuits had been flown with an instructor, followed by two satisfactory solo circuits by the student. On the third solo landing, the aircraft bounced back into the air. The student did not initiate a go-around and the second bounce was worse than the first. On the third impact the nose landing gear collapsed. The aircraft remained on the runway and came to rest with its nose in contact with the surface.

The student attributed the cause of the accident to not having initiated a go-around in response to the initial bounce.