

Robinson R22, G-WIGL, 29 November 1997 at 1223 hrs

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Robinson R22, G-WIGL
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming O-320-B2C piston engine
Year of Manufacture:	1997
Date & Time (UTC):	29 November 1997 at 1223 hrs
Location:	Wellesbourne Airfield, Warwickshire
Type of Flight:	Private (Training)
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 - Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Damaged beyond economic repair
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence (Helicopters) with Assistant Flying Instructor's Rating
Commander's Age:	33 years
Commander's Flying Experience:	569 hours (of which 497 were on type) Last 90 days - 154 hours Last 28 days - 44 hours
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and telephone enquiries by the AAIB

The instructor, in the left seat, was teaching take offs and landings to a student who had completed 9 hours of flying training. The weather was good with a surface wind of 050°/7 kt. Following a demonstration by the instructor, the student made a landing and initial ground contact was on the left skid. With this skid on the ground, the aircraft started drifting to the left and the instructor lowered the collective. However, almost immediately, as the right skid touched the ground, the student raised the collective and the aircraft rolled rapidly to the left; the main rotor blades struck the ground and GWIGL rolled over.