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Aircraft type and registration: Douglas C47 Dakota 3 G-AMSV

No & Type of engines: 2 Pratt and Whitney R1830-92 piston engines

Year of Manufacture: 1944

Date and time (UTC): 19 January 1988 at 1110 hrs

Location: Liverpool Airport

Type of flight: Airline non-scheduled cargo

Persons on board: Crew — 2 Passengers — None

Injuries: Crew — None Passengers — N/A

Nature of damage: Minor — to propeller tips and pitot heads

Commander's Licence: Airline Transport Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 61 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 22060 hours (of which 2700 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and telephone enquiries by AAIB.

The aircraft had landed on runway 27 with the wind from 190° at 23 kt. During the taxi after landing the aircraft 'weather cocked' to the left and left the runway. During the attempt to taxi the aircraft from the boggy ground to the paved surface, it nosed over and sustained minor damage.

The wind recorded by the meteorological office at 1055 hrs was 180°T at 22—36 kt. The last wind check passed to the aircraft by ATC was 190° at 25 kt.

The crosswind limit for landing contained in the operator's Operations Manual is 20 kt.