

AAIB Bulletin No: 12/95 **Ref: EW/G95/10/04** **Category: 1.3**

Aircraft Type and Registration: Reims Cessna F150M, G-BEHW
No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental O-200-A piston engine
Year of Manufacture: 1976
Date & Time (UTC): 8 October 1995 at 1615 hrs
Location: RAF Woodvale, Merseyside
Type of Flight: Private (Training)
Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None
Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage: Substantial to airframe and engine
Commander's Licence: Student Pilot
Commander's Age: 25 years
Commander's Flying Experience: 15 hours (all on type)
Last 90 days - 7 hours
Last 28 days - 3 hours
Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and
telephone enquiries by the AAIB

The student pilot was carrying out his first solo flight which was detailed to be a single visual circuit of the airfield. The weather was good with a light headwind, unlimited visibility, no cloud and a temperature of 21°C. The circuit and approach appeared normal but on landing the aircraft bounced due to apparent over-controlling. The student then decided to carry out a missed-approach but after applying full power he then proceeded to retract the flaps which were at 20 degrees and neglected to wait for the speed to increase or the aircraft to climb to a safe height. As a result the aircraft stalled at a low level and the left wing contacted the ground. Subsequently, the aircraft turned to the left and nosed into the grass to the side of the runway. The pilot was not injured and there was no fire.