

**No: 7/86**

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**Aircraft type and registration:** Reims Cessna F150M G-BDFJ

**No & Type of engines:** One Continental 0-200-A piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1975

**Date and time (GMT):** 13 April 1986 at 1315 hrs

**Location:** Coventry Airport

**Type of flight:** Training

**Persons on board:** Crew — 1 Passengers — None

**Injuries:** Crew — None Passengers — N/A

**Nature of damage:** Aircraft damaged beyond economic repair

**Commander's Licence:** Student pilot

**Commander's Age:** 51 years

**Commander's Total Flying Experience:** 13 hours

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot.

After a dual instruction flight, which consisted of four circuits and landings on runway 23 at Coventry Airport, a student pilot was authorised for a further solo flight to complete two circuits and landings. The pilot reports that he completed the first approach and landing without incident but following the second approach and flare, which he again considered to be normal, the aircraft landed heavily on the main landing gear and shortly afterwards the nose landing gear collapsed. The pilot vacated the aircraft without difficulty. The weather at the time was fine, there was no significant low cloud, and the surface wind was from 210° at 12 knots.