

**No:** 12/92

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**Category:** 1c

**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Reims Cessna F152, G-BFRL

**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1978

**Date & Time (UTC):** 24 August 1992 at 1237 hrs

**Location:** Bristol Airport, Avon

**Type of Flight:** Private

**Persons on Board:** Crew - 1                      Passengers - 1

**Injuries:** Crew - None                      Passengers - None

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

**Commander's Licence:** Private Pilot's Licence

**Commander's Age:** 39 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 79 hours (all on type)  
Last 90 days - 4 hours  
Last 28 days - 4 hours

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

The aircraft was returning to Bristol Airport after a 50 minute flight. The commander reported that he made a normal entry to a left hand circuit for Runway 27, with a surface wind of 170°/8 kt. While on final approach, ATC requested the aircraft to carry out an orbit for traffic spacing purposes. This was successfully completed, and the aircraft was re-established on final approach. As the aircraft reached the touchdown area, the passenger became violently airsick, thus distracting the commander. This resulted in a heavy landing, and caused the nosewheel to collapse. The aircraft came to rest on the runway, with the tail up. There was no fire, and the occupants, who were uninjured, vacated the aircraft by the normal means.