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**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Robinson R22 Beta, G-BSLF

**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Lycoming O-320-B2C piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1990

**Date & Time (UTC):** 5 August 1995 at 1737 hrs

**Location:** Cumbernauld Airport

**Type of Flight:** Private (Training)

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

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

**Nature of Damage:** Substantial

**Commander's Licence:** Private Pilot's Licence with Night and Assistant Instructor Ratings

**Commander's Age:** 45 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 786 hours (of which 780 were on type)  
Last 90 days - 66 hours  
Last 28 days - 31 hours

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

The student pilot was on his first instructional flight and had been airborne for 30 minutes when the accident occurred. At the time, the weather was excellent with a very light surface wind and a temperature of 22°C. During a hovering manoeuvre, the student made an abrupt left and rear input to the cyclic control which the instructor was unable to correct. The aircraft pitched nose up and moved backwards; the left rear skid contacted the ground and G-BSLF rolled onto its left side.