

No: 3/88

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Aircraft type and registration: Scheibe SF25C G-MFMM

No & Type of engines: 1 Limbach SL 1700-EA piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1972

Date and time (UTC): 10 January 1988 at 1220 hrs

Location: Camphill Airfield, Derbyshire

Type of flight: Private (pleasure)

Persons on board: Crew — 1 Passengers — 1

Injuries: Crew — None Passengers — None

Nature of damage: Substantial — to wing tips, propeller, fuselage and canopy

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence with Full Instructors Rating

Commander's Age: 66 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 753 hours (of which 166 were on type)

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

The aircraft turned onto final approach behind a K7/13 Glider, a little high, and a landing area was selected 50 yards left of the aircraft ahead. After a side-slip manoeuvre to shed the excess height the aircraft touched down in the predetermined area, but then encountered a bump which caused the aircraft to become airborne again. The spoilers were retracted in order to cushion the second touch-down, but the aircraft floated and the pilot considered that there was a possibility of running into the boundary wall. The aircraft was steered to the left and coincidentally into the sun. Either the right outrigger encountered a bump, or the right wingtip hit the boundary wall, and the aircraft swung to the right over the western perimeter track and slid 100 feet down a slope, coming to rest between two trees.

The pilot and passenger were wearing full upper torso restraint which held during the deceleration. There was no fire.