

Aircraft Type and Registration: Jodel DR1051 (Modified) Ambassadeur, G-IOSI

No & Type of Engines: 1 Rolls-Royce Continental O-200-A piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1963

Date & Time (UTC): 9 July 1995 at 1155 hrs

Location: Bagby (Thirsk) Airfield, North Yorkshire

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - Minor Passengers - Minor

Nature of Damage: Damage to engine and propeller, cockpit and canopy, and tail fin

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence with IMC and Night Ratings

Commander's Age: 53 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 364 hours (of which 102 were on type)
Last 90 days - 12 hours
Last 28 days - 6 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was landing on Runway 06 at Bagby. The runway is 20 metres wide with an uphill slope and has a grass surface which was dry and in good condition. There was a 4 foot high standing crop running the full length of the runway on the left side. The surface wind was 140°/10 kt and the temperature was 27°C.

The pilot reported that he experienced a high level of turbulence on the approach. A high sink rate developed during the landing flare and the aircraft drifted to the left. The pilot initiated a go-around, however, the aircraft was now over the standing crop and there was insufficient power available to prevent the main landing gear entering the top of the crop. The aircraft nosed over and came to rest, in the crop, about 5 metres to the left of the runway. Both occupants were wearing lap and diagonal upper torso restraint and escaped with only minor injuries.