

Robinson R22 BETA, G-TGRS

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| Aircraft Type and Registration: | Robinson R22 BETA, G-TGRS | |
| No & Type of Engines: | 1 LLycoming O-320-B2C | |
| Year of Manufacture: | 1989 | |
| Date & Time (UTC): | 18 November 2001 at 1306 hrs | |
| Location: | Duxford Airport, Cambridge | |
| Type of Flight: | Private | |
| Persons on Board: | Crew - 1 | Passengers - 1 |
| Injuries: | Crew - Minor | Passengers - Minor |
| Nature of Damage: | Helicopter destroyed | |
| Commander's Licence: | Private Pilots Licence Aeroplanes Private Pilots Licence Helicopters | |
| Commander's Age: | 51 years | |
| Commander's Flying Experience: | 202 hours (of which 72 were on type) Last 90 days - 9 hours Last 28 days - 5 hours (of which 2 hours on type) | |
| Information Source: | Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot | |

Whilst attempting to land the pilot misjudged the height of the helicopter above the ground. One of the skids struck the ground and the helicopter rolled over. The rotor head and blades were torn from the mast and the helicopter was destroyed. The pilot and his passenger received minor injuries.

The pilot reported that he misjudged the height above the ground because rain drops on the canopy had impeded his field of view. The visibility was reported to be 6,000 metres in light rain with a surface wind of 030°/ 05 kt.