

Cessna 150B, G-ARZX

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Cessna 150B, G-ARZX
No & Type of Engines:	1 Continental O-200-A piston engine
Year of Manufacture:	1962
Date & Time (UTC):	6 April 1998 at 1315 hrs
Location:	Kent International Airport
Type of Flight:	Private
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 - Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Engine shock loaded, propeller and nosewheel damaged
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence with Night Rating
Commander's Age:	37 years
Commander's Flying Experience:	175 hours (of which 55 were on type) Last 90 days - 11 hours Last 28 days - 2 hours
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot intended to practice circuits and landings using Runway 24 at Kent Airport (Manston). This runway has a grass surface with a published landing distance available of 792 metres. The weather conditions were good with a surface wind of 230°/15 kt, visibility in excess of 10 km and no significant weather. The first circuit and landing were successful, but whilst attempting to land from the second circuit the aircraft bounced on the mainwheels and landed heavily on the nosewheel which collapsed. The pilot, who was uninjured, vacated the aircraft through the side door by which time the airport fire crew were in attendance.