

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Pegasus Quantum 15, G-MYZK	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Rotax 582-40 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1996 (Serial no: 7157)	
Date & Time (UTC):	1 August 2014 at 1830 hrs	
Location:	Near Wheatley Hill, Co Durham	
Type of Flight:	Training	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 2	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Damage to fuselage pod and wing	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	51 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	852 hours (of which all were on type) Last 90 days - 25 hours Last 28 days - 6 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The microlight was landing at a farm airstrip at the end of a local training flight. The weather was showery and the grass surfaces were wet. There was a light wind from the southwest, and the microlight was landing in an easterly direction, with a slight tailwind. As the microlight decelerated on the grass airstrip, after a normal landing, the instructor asked his inexperienced student to apply the wheel brakes, which could only be operated by the front seat occupant. As the brakes were applied, the microlight appeared to enter a skid and ran off the right hand edge of the prepared surface, before entering a ditch, which ran alongside the airstrip, and tipping forward onto its nose. The cockpit area sustained moderate damage but neither occupant was injured and both were able to vacate the aircraft.

The instructor believed the loss of directional control had occurred as a result of the aircraft skidding on the wet grass.