



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: CADILLAC, Michigan Accident Number: CHI91LA238

Date & Time: August 1, 1991, 15:00 Local Registration: N76535

Aircraft: CESSNA 140 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Instructional

### **Analysis**

THE STUDENT PILOT SAID THAT AFTER THREE GO AROUNDS, SHE ATTEMPTED A LANDING ON THE SOD STRIP. THE AIRCRAFT ROLLED A SHORT DISTANCE THEN NOSED OVER. THE LANDING WAS ATTEMPTED IN A 90 DEGREE CROSSWIND OF 13 KNOTS GUSTING TO 20 KNOTS.

### **Probable Cause and Findings**

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: IMPROPER COMPENSATION FOR WIND CONDITIONS RESULTING IN AIRCRAFT CONTROL NOT BEING MAINTAINED. FACTORS RELATED TO THE ACCIDENT WERE A GUSTY CROSSWIND CONDITION AND LACK OF TOTAL EXPERIENCE BY THE PILOT.

#### **Findings**

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - ON GROUND/WATER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

#### **Findings**

- 1. (F) WEATHER CONDITION CROSSWIND
- 2. (F) WEATHER CONDITION GUSTS
- 3. (C) COMPENSATION FOR WIND CONDITIONS IMPROPER PILOT IN COMMAND
- 4. (C) AIRCRAFT CONTROL NOT MAINTAINED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 5. (F) LACK OF TOTAL EXPERIENCE PILOT IN COMMAND

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## **Factual Information**

#### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Student	Age:	20,Female
Airplane Rating(s):	None	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Valid Medicalno waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	June 12, 1991
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	26 hours (Total, all aircraft), 26 hours (Total, this make and model), 6 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 26 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 26 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

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## **Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information**

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N76535
Model/Series:	140 140	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	10971
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	March 1, 1991 Unknown	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1450 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	2036 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed, activated, did not aid in locating accident	Engine Model/Series:	C-85
Registered Owner:		Rated Power:	85 Horsepower
Operator:	BRUCE J. BARLOND	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Vieual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
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Observation Facility, Elevation:	CAD ,1 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	1 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	14:52 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	1°
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Clear	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	13 knots / 20 knots	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	270°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipita	ation	
Departure Point:	MARSHALL , MI (5D8)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	VFR
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	13:30 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

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## **Airport Information**

Airport:	CADILLAC CAD	Runway Surface Type:	Grass/turf
Airport Elevation:	1307 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Dry
Runway Used:	18	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	2005 ft / 150 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Full stop

## Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	44.24089,-85.409828(est)

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Hruban, John

Additional Participating Persons:

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Last Revision Date:

Investigation Class: Class

Note:

Investigation Docket: https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=15135

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