

Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location:	BREWER, Maine		Accident Number:	NYC84LA075
Date & Time:	January 27, 1984, 09	9:00 Local	Registration:	N8941U
Aircraft:	CESSNA	150E	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:			Injuries:	2 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Instructional			

Analysis

THE ACFT WAS ON A LOCAL PRE-SOLO TAKEOFF AND LANDING PRACTICE FLIGHT. SEVERAL LANDINGS WERE MADE WITH THE STUDENT PILOT ADJUSTING FOR WIND CONDITIONS BELOW A TREE LINE. ON THE LAST LANDING THE CFI REPORTED THAT THE ACFT MOVED QUICKLY TO THERIGHT AND STARTED TO SETTLE UNTIL THE RIGHT MAIN GEAR CONTACTED A SNOWBANK AND SPUN THE ACFT AROUND.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - IN FLIGHT Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings

1. (C) PROPER ALIGNMENT - NOT MAINTAINED - DUAL STUDENT

2. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL - NOT MAINTAINED - DUAL STUDENT

3. (C) REMEDIAL ACTION - DELAYED - PILOT IN COMMAND(CFI)

Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER ENCOUNTER WITH TERRAIN/WATER Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings 4. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - SNOWBANK

Occurrence #3: NOSE GEAR COLLAPSED Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings 5. (F) LANDING GEAR,NOSE GEAR - OVERLOAD

Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Flight instructor	Age:	34,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Right
Other Aircraft Rating(s):		Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):		Second Pilot Present:	Yes
Instructor Rating(s):		Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 2 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	April 25, 1983
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	360 hours (Total, all aircraft), 4 hours (Total, this make and model), 158 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 10 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N8941U
Model/Series:	150E 150E	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Utility	Serial Number:	15061341
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	November 2, 1983 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1600 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	Continental
ELT:	Not installed	Engine Model/Series:	0-200-A
Registered Owner:	BREWER FLYING CLUB	Rated Power:	100 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:		Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:		Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 10000 ft AGL	Visibility	15 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	/	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	0°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	-18°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	BREWER , ME	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	09:15 Local	Type of Airspace:	

Airport Information

Airport:	BREWER	Runway Surface Type:	
Airport Elevation:		Runway Surface Condition:	
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	Touch and go

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	2 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Taylor, Vernon
Additional Participating Persons:	
Original Publish Date:	
Last Revision Date:	
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>
Note:	
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=35492

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