



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: Farmingdale, New York **Accident Number:** ERA10CA273

Date & Time: May 20, 2010, 13:43 Local Registration: N960JB

Aircraft: CIRRUS DESIGN CORP SR22 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: Dragged wing/rotor/float/other **Injuries:** 4 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Analysis

According to the pilot/owner, he decided to "go around" at the completion of a practice instrument approach. After the application of full engine power, "the P-factor, along with the cross-wind from the right, caused my left wing and left main landing gear to hit the ground momentarily." The pilot then reduced power to keep the airplane on the ground. The airplane departed the left side of the runway and struck a sign and an embankment, which resulted in substantial damage to the wings and the airframe. Following the accident, the pilot reported to a Federal Aviation Administration inspector that there were no deficiencies with the performance and handling of his airplane.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: The pilot's failure to maintain directional control during a go-around attempt.

Findings

Personnel issues Incorrect action performance - Pilot

Aircraft Directional control - Not attained/maintained

Factual Information

History of Flight

Approach-VFR go-around	Dragged wing/rotor/float/other (Defining event)	
Takeoff-rejected takeoff	Runway excursion	
Takeoff-rejected takeoff	Collision with terr/obj (non-CFIT)	

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	45,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Single-engine sea	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	Yes
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Without waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	September 3, 2009
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	361 hours (Total, all aircraft), 137 hours (Total, this make and model)		

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Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CIRRUS DESIGN CORP	Registration:	N960JB
Model/Series:	SR22	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	1587
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	4
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	March 29, 2010 Continuous airworthiness	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	3400 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	1285 Hrs as of last inspection	Engine Manufacturer:	CONT MOTOR
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	IO-550 SERIES
Registered Owner:	3D GROUP LLC	Rated Power:	300 Horsepower
Operator:	3D GROUP LLC	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Conditions at Accident Site.	Visual (VIVIO)	Condition of Light.	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	FRG,82 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:	13:53 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	9 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	220°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29.96 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	22°C / 13°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	Binghamton, NY (BGM)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	Farmingdale, NY (FRG)	Type of Clearance:	VFR
Departure Time:	12:42 Local	Type of Airspace:	

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Airport Information

Airport:	Republic Airport FRG	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	82 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	14	IFR Approach:	ILS
Runway Length/Width:	6827 ft / 150 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	None

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	3 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	4 None	Latitude, Longitude:	40.723888,-73.408058(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Rayner, Brian
Additional Participating Persons:	James Ciccone; FAA/FSDO; Farmingdale, NY
Original Publish Date:	December 20, 2010
Last Revision Date:	
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>
Note:	This accident report documents the factual circumstances of this accident as described to the NTSB.
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=76062

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