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1 INTRODUCTION

- a) Although this guide is mainly intended for Private Pilots of fixed-wing aircraft, much of the advice will be relevant to all pilots, whatever their experience or the type of aircraft they fly. However, there are specific leaflets giving more detailed advice for helicopter (no. 17) and balloon (no. 16) pilots.
- b) Any review of General Aviation accidents shows that most should not have happened. They are a result of a combination of the following:
 - use of incorrect techniques;

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 - lack of preparation before flight;
 - being out of practice;
 - lack of appreciation of weather;
 - overconfidence;
 - flying illegally or outside licence privileges;
 - failing to maintain control;
 - a complacent attitude; and
 - the 'it will be alright' syndrome.
- c) Comprehensive Knowledge, careful Preparation and frequent flying Practice are key elements in developing 'Good Airmanship' which is the best insurance against appearing as an accident statistic.