

National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Final Report

Location: Madill, OK Accident Number: DFW08CA044

Date & Time: 11/30/2007, 1200 CST Registration: N6135M

Aircraft: Cessna 152 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: Injuries: 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation - Instructional

Analysis

The 28-hour solo student pilot landed with a crosswind condition and lost control of the airplane during the landing roll. The mishap occurred during the student's seventh solo landing of the day. The pilot stated that after the airplane landed "the wind switched from a crosswind to a tail wind and back" to crosswind. The airplane departed the runway, the nose gear collapsed in the soft terrain, and the propeller contacted the ground. Examination of the airplane by an inspector from the Federal Aviation Administration revealed structural damage to the engine firewall. The winds at the time of the accident were reported as a 90 degree crosswind to the active runway at 8 knots.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: The pilot failed to maintain directional control during landing roll. A contributing factor was the crosswind.

Findings

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

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

1. (F) WEATHER CONDITION - CROSSWIND

2. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Factual Information

Student Pilot Information

Certificate:	Student	Age:	32, Male
Airplane Rating(s):	None	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	Seatbelt, Shoulder harness
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Without Waivers/Limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	09/01/2007
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	28 hours (Total, all aircraft), 24 hou aircraft)	rs (Total, this make and model), 1 hou	urs (Last 24 hours, all

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Cessna	Registration:	N6135M
Model/Series:	152	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	No
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	15284628
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	
Date/Type of Last Inspection:		Certified Max Gross Wt.:	
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	Lycoming
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	0-235
Registered Owner:	Versatile Aviation Inc	Rated Power:	115 hp
Operator:	Versatile Aviation Inc	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:	Versatile Aviation Inc	Operator Designator Code:	

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KADM	Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:	1355	Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 12000 ft agl	Visibility	10 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	8 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	90°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30.19 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	13°C / 7°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	Ardmore, OK (1F0)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	Madill, OK (1F4)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	1100 CST	Type of Airspace:	

Airport Information

Airport:	Runway Surface Type:
Airport Elevation:	Runway Surface Condition:
Runway Used:	IFR Approach:
Runway Length/Width:	VFR Approach/Landing:

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	34.144444, -96.811389

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	William H Gamble	Report Date:	01/31/2008
Additional Participating Persons:	Robert L Newell; Oklahoma City		
Publish Date:			
Note:	This accident report documents the factual circumstances of this accident as described to the NTSB.		
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