



PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Night flying circuits.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil

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NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C climbed quite steeply after take-off, banked over to left in steep turn, losing height very quickly. On nearing ground the throttles were opened and A/C assumed climbing altitude. Again it was banked steeply to left and spiralled into ground. Port wing broken off. Both engines were falling out of A/C, and A/C turned over on back on aerodrome in front of take-off runway in use.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

SUMMARY No. 1090

FINDINGS:

Controls appeared to jam causing one wing to lower greatly, and the pilot was unable to get the wings level.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

Inability of pupil pilot solo at night to maintain equilibrium on instruments or by sensory means.

Although this pupil states that he was not fatigued, it is noted that he had completed one hour and 50 minutes night flying solo when the accident occurred, there is the possibility of fatigue with the subsequent loss of control on takeoff.

CLASSIFICATION:

~~21. Inability to maintain equilibrium.~~

*14. Out of Control* **14**

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

~~25. Inexperience.~~

~~37. Overturning.~~

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil