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PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Training - Aerobatics, spins and forced landings.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Free/med/ri ✓

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C executed half a roll flew inverted for approx 30 seconds, losing about 1,000' rolling back, then appeared to stall, commenced to spin, making two full turns before recovering at approx 500' in a dive. During this dive a/c crashed into ground, being totally wrecked. Pilot instantly killed.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2302

CIRCUMSTANCES: After flying in inverted position for period of 30 seconds, recovered from spin at 500' but was unable to pull a/c out of resultant dive, in time to avoid hitting ground.

CAUSE: Loss of control after aerobatic manoeuvre which resulted in a spin at low altitude.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. Agree with findings.

Pupil carried out a prohibited manoeuvre. When a/c fell into unintentional spin from inverted flight, pupil was probably confused for sufficient length of time to make successful recovery problematical.

CLASSIFICATION:

~~18. Loss of control.~~

19. Out of Control

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

~~17. Disobedience of Standing Orders.~~ ACTION TAKEN:

Nil