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SOUTH AFRICAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY**ACCIDENT REPORT – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Aircraft Registration	ZS-KKO	Date of Accident	23 May 2001	Time of Accident	0745Z
Type of Aircraft	PA38-112	Type of Operation	Training		
Pilot-in-command Licence Type	Student	Age	24	Licence Valid	Yes
Pilot-in-command Flying Experience	Total Flying Hours	37	Hours on Type	37	
Last point of departure	FAPE				
Next point of intended landing	FAPE				

Location of the accident site with reference to easily defined geographical points (GPS readings if possible)

FAPE

Meteorological Information Fine

Number of people on board	1+0	No. of people injured	0	No. of people killed	0
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Synopsis

On 23 May 2001, at approximately 0745Z, the student was doing circuit training at FAPE.

With the 4th circuit she decided to do a full-stop landing. Unfortunately she was a bit high on the final approach, resulting in a hard landing.

During the landing the aircraft ballooned and the pilot pushed the control stick forward in an attempt to correct for this mistake.

The nose wheel of the aircraft then made contact with the ground, followed by the main wheels.

The pilot was not injured in the accident, but the aircraft sustained substantial damage.

The pilot held a valid licence and a medical certificate, which expired on 31 March 2003.

According to available documentation the aircraft was correctly maintained.

Fine weather conditions prevailed at the time of the accident.

Probable Cause

Poor technique.