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## SOUTH AFRICAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

**ACCIDENT REPORT - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** 

Aircraft Registration	ZS-WE	3	Date of Accident	7 Jan 2002 <b>T</b> i		Time	e of Accident	1500Z
Type of Aircraft	WINDLASS TRIKE			Type of Operation		tion	n Private	
Pilot-in-command Licence Type		Microlight	Age	41	Li	icence Valid	Yes	
Pilot-in-command Flying Experience		Total Flying Hours Flying hours Past 90 Days Flying Hours on Type Past 90 Days	75 65 65			otal Flying ours on Type	75	
Last point of departure Priv		rivate farm near Petrus Steyn						
Next point of intended	d landing Private farm near Petrus Steyn							

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

Private farm near Petrus Steyn

Meteorological Information	Fine weather conditions prevailed with the wind calm. The visibility was good and the temperature approximately +22°C with no cloud cover.							
Number of people on board	1+0	No. of people injured	1	No. of people killed	0			
Synopsis			•					

On 7 January 2002, at approximately 1500Z, the pilot took-off from a private farm near Petrus Steyn for a local private flight.

The pilot stated that during the take-off run he looked back at the runway. When he looked forward again there was a horse on the runway, directly ahead of the aircraft, with which he collided.

During the collision with the horse the aircraft rolled over to the right and collided with the ground.

The aircraft rolled over onto the pilot causing 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burn wounds to his stomach and knee.

The aircraft sustained substantial damage during the accident.

The pilot was correctly licenced and according to available information the aircraft was correctly maintained. However, the IIC was unable to locate a valid Authority to Fly.

Fine weather conditions prevailed at the time of the accident.

## **Probable Cause**

The horse entered onto the runway and the aircraft collided with the horse.