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

Aircraft Registration	ZU-BJY	Date of Accident	20 June 2002	Time of Accident	1300Z
Type of Aircraft	P92 ECHO		Type of Operation	Private	
Pilot-in-command License Type	0270507429 ML50742	Age	42	License Valid	Yes
Pilot-in-command Flying Experience	Total Flying Hours	96	Hours on Type	22	
Last point of departure	Luytsville				
Next point of intended landing	Bethlehem				

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

Luytsville

Meteorological Information	Fine weather conditions prevailed at the time of the accident with the wind at approximately 7 kts in a northeasterly direction.				
Number of people on board	1+0	No. of people injured	0	No. of people killed	0

Synopsis

On 20 June 2002, at approximately 1300Z, the pilot took-off from Luytsville for a private flight to Bethlehem.

The pilot reported to the Luytsville SAPS that the aircraft started losing height after rotation upon which he carried out a forced landing in a ploughed field, next to the runway.

The pilot escaped unhurt, but the aircraft sustained substantial damage during the accident.

The pilot held a valid licence, was type rated on the aircraft and was also the holder of a valid medical certificate, which lapsed on 18 July 2002. He was restricted to wear corrective lenses.

According to available information the aircraft was correctly maintained.

Fine weather conditions prevailed at the time of the accident.

The owner failed to supply a valid "Authority to Fly" and a valid "Special Flight Permit" to the IIC. The aircraft was sold at an unknown date to the present owner.

Probable Cause

No on-site investigation was carried out. However, according to the pilot/owner the accident resulted from windshear during take-off.