

Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198600690

Piper PA28-161

24 February 1986

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Occurrence Number: 198600690
Location: Alice Springs NT
Date: 24 February 1986
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: N/A

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	1

Aircraft Details: Piper PA28-161
Registration: VH-AAS
Serial Number:
Operation Type: Aerial Work-Solo
Instruction
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Alice Springs NT
Departure Time: N/A
Destination: Alice Springs NT

Approved for Release: May 6th 1986

Circumstances:

After a dual check the pilot's instructor briefed the pilot to carry out two circuits, each with a full stop landing. Following the first circuit and landing, the pilot applied power to commence the take-off without bringing the aircraft to a stop. The aircraft veered sharply to the left, became airborne momentarily, before settling back onto the ground outside the flight strip. Flaps were selected fully down and the aircraft continued under full power across a storm water drain for another 38 metres before coming to rest. This was the pilot's second solo exercise. Following the loss of directional control it appears that the pilot became confused and did not apply the correct control inputs to bring the aircraft to a stop.