

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198502825**

Piper PA24-260

21 May 1985

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Occurrence Number: 198502825
Location: Bankstown NSW
Date: 21 May 1985
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Incident

Time: 945

	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 PA24-260
Registration: VH-ADD
Serial Number: N/K
Operation Type: Private
Damage Level: Minor
Departure Point: Bombala NSW
Departure Time: 745
Destination: Bankstown NSW

Approved for Release: November 16th 1987

Circumstances:

The aircraft was being taxied on a confined apron when it collided with a concrete tie-down block. Earlier in the morning another aircraft was parked on the apron and tied to the block. That aircraft was subsequently moved into an adjacent hangar by aircraft maintenance personnel, but they neglected to remove the tie-down block. The pilot reported that he did not notice the tie-down block, which was similiarly coloured to the apron surface. His attention was apparently diverted to maintaining wingtip clearance from five other aircraft parked around the perimeter of the apron.