

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198601411**

Cessna 150 M

09 March 1986

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Occurrence Number: 198601411
Location: Geelong Airport VIC
Date: 09 March 1986
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	2	2
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	2

Aircraft Details: Cessna 150 M
Registration: VH-PIG
Serial Number:
Operation Type: Aerial Work (Dual Training)
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Geelong Airport VIC
Departure Time: N/A
Destination: Geelong Airport VIC

Approved for Release: April 11th 1986

Circumstances:

The flight was intended to be a revision exercise in cross-wind circuits and landings. The first landing was completed satisfactorily and the student subsequently advised that the flaps were raised to the take-off setting and full power was applied. However, the instructor reported that only partial power was applied and he said to the student "I've got the flaps". The student believed the comment was "Take it off", and she responded by closing the throttle. The instructor took control and continued the take-off, but the tail tie-down ring struck the boundary fence and the aircraft then collided with mounds of soil beyond the fence. The investigation was unable to resolve the apparent confusion which existed in the cockpit with regard to the amount of power the student applied or the phraseology which was used by the instructor. At the point where the student closed the throttle, the instructor considered that insufficient strip distance remained to stop the aircraft.