

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198602328**

Cessna 172 N

25 May 1986

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Occurrence Number: 198602328
Location: Camden NSW
Date: 25 May 1986
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	3
Total	0	0	0	4

Aircraft Details: Cessna 172 N
Registration: VH-BEM
Serial Number:
Operation Type: Private (Pleasure)
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Camden NSW
Departure Time: 1035
Destination: Camden NSW

Approved for Release: July 14th 1986

Circumstances:

The aircraft was being taxied on an apron between several hangars. Painted guide lines were provided to allow obstacle clearance, however the pilot had difficulty seeing the lines over the nose cowling. As the aircraft passed a parked aircraft on the right, the left wing struck a power pole. The pilot had evidently not followed the marked guide lines. The pole struck had a weathered appearance, and was not easily distinguished against the grey colour of the hangar wall. The pilot also commented that he was distracted by the presence of the parked aircraft.