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Occurrence Number: 199800674 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Mount Isa, Aerodrome

State: QLD Inv Category: 4

Date: Thursday 05 March 1998

Time: 1059 hours **Time Zone** EST

Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company

Aircraft Model: 177RG

Aircraft Registration: VH-EYS Serial Number: 177RG0379

Type of Operation: Non-commercial Practice

Damage to Aircraft: Substantial **Departure Point:** Mount Isa Qld

Departure Time:

Destination: Mount Isa Qld

Crew Details:

Hours on

RoleClass of LicenceType Hours TotalPilot-In-CommandPrivate1200

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The pilot reported that he was conducting circuit practice. Another aircraft was also in the circuit and flew an unusually long and wide downwind and base leg pattern. This distracted the pilot and he landed the aircraft with the landing gear retracted.