

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199300755**

**Robinson Helicopter Co
R22**

01 April 1993

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Occurrence Number:	199300755	Occurrence Type:	Accident
Location:	Rockhampton		
State:	QLD	Inv Category:	4
Date:	Thursday 01 April 1993		
Time:	1730 hours	Time Zone	EST
Highest Injury Level:	None		

Aircraft Manufacturer:	Robinson Helicopter Co		
Aircraft Model:	R22 BETA		
Aircraft Registration:	VH-HLA	Serial Number:	0980
Type of Operation:	Instructional Dual		
Damage to Aircraft:	Substantial		
Departure Point:	Rockhampton QLD		
Departure Time:	1711 EST		
Destination:	Rockhampton QLD		

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The pilot was carrying out dual instruction for a student helicopter pilot. He reported that on the second practice "engine off landing", as the helicopter was sliding along the ground at about 20 kph, the aircraft encountered some rough ground. The front section of the left skid was torn off and the helicopter slewed to the left and tilted nose-down. The forward section of the right skid then separated and the main rotor blades contacted the ground before severing the tailboom.