

Follow-up Action on Occurrence Report

ACCIDENT TO RAVEN X, G-MYVW, NORTH OF CLIFFE, KENT ON 9 JUNE 2006

CAA FACTOR NUMBER : F13/2007
FACTOR PUBLICATION DATE : 11 April 2007
OPERATOR : Private
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SYNOPSIS

From AAIB Report:

The student pilot was briefed to fly a solo general handling exercise over marshland on the south side of the Thames Estuary. He had not returned to the airfield by the time the aircraft's fuel was known to be exhausted and a search and rescue operation was initiated. Approximately 24 hours later the crew of the Police Air Support Unit helicopter located the aircraft and the fatally injured pilot. There were no eye-witnesses and no recorded evidence. The investigation was unable to determine the cause of the accident.

FOLLOW UP ACTION

The one Safety Recommendation made by the AAIB following their investigation is reproduced below together with the CAA's response.

Recommendation 2006-126

The British Microlight Aircraft Association should promulgate the information that fibre-cored cables should not be used on aircraft, unless specified by the manufacturer, and that the Nicopress swaging tool was not designed for fibre-cored cables and will therefore not produce a correctly swaged joint.

CAA Response

This Recommendation is not addressed to the CAA.

CAA Status - Closed