

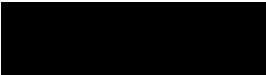
From: [Schluep, David M \(FAA\)](#)
To: [Rob Searfoss](#)
Subject: RE: Searfoss Crash
Date: Friday, June 24, 2022 7:53:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Robert,

Thank you. Godspeed on your recovery!

Kind regards,

David Schluep (ASI)
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Federal Aviation Administration
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From: Rob Searfoss [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 23, 2022 6:25 PM
To: Schluep, David M (FAA) : [REDACTED]
Subject: Searfoss Crash

Dave,

On June 13th, 2022 while coming in to make a landing on runway 23, I was unsure if I made contact with the runway or not. My aircraft suddenly got shot to the far left of the runway. In an effort to avoid going off the runway, I attempted a go-around. I initiated full power, pulled back on the yolk and can't remember if I turned off carb heat and raised the flaps. The next thing I remember is I was hanging upside down, and I was attempting to exit the airplane. That's all I remember. Thank you for the call and encouragement.

Sincerely,

Robert Searfoss

From: [Ben Ginnever](#)
To: [Schluep, David M \(FAA\)](#)
Subject: N78755 Accident Statement
Date: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 11:04:05 AM

On June 13th at approximately 4:30PM EST, Rob and I flew Skyhawk N78755 for a supervised solo doing local traffic pattern, before he did his second solo. We had fair weather with minimal crosswind coming from the southwest.

Together we completely four take offs and landings. After the fourth landing I asked Rob if he'd like to do another or if he felt comfortable doing solo local take offs and landings. Rob said he felt good and taxied over to the entrance of the FBO to drop me off.

Inside the FBO, I was able to watch Rob's first and second landing, both being great landings. During his third lap in the pattern, I heard him make the call on the radio that he was on final. It was taking longer than normal so I went outside to check final and looked down the runway to see if he landed.

At approximately 5:20PM, I contacted my coworker Andy on the Unicom radio as he was doing a run up with his student and asked if he could see Rob on the taxi way. Andy said no, I immediately asked Rob what his position was with no response. Approximately 1 minute after attempting to contact Rob, I heard the EMS sirens heading toward the airport. We drove our cars over to the wreckage and Rob where EMS was prepping him to be taken to the hospital.

Name: Ben Ginnever, [REDACTED] CFI

Date: 6/15/2022

SOLO PROCEDURES STATEMENT

WHEN STUDENTS ARE APPROVED TO SOLO
THE AIRPLANE. I (BEN GINNEMER) MAKE IT
MANDATORY FOR STUDENTS TO DO FULL STOPS AND
TAXI BACK TO GIVE THEM TIME TO RUN THE
AFTER LANDING CHECKLIST AND MAKE SURE THE PLANE
IS CONFIGURED TO TAKE OFF AGAIN.

BEN GINNEMER

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CFI 10/23

6/21/2022