

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199400543**

**Fokker B.V.
Fellowship**

03 March 1994

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Occurrence Number: 199400543 **Occurrence Type:** Incident
Location: 50 km S Rockhampton
State: QLD **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Thursday 03 March 1994
Time: 1547 hours **Time Zone** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Fokker B.V.
Manufacturer:
Aircraft Model: F28 MK 3000
Aircraft Registration: VH-EWF **Serial** 11143
Number:
Type of Operation: Air Transport Domestic High Capacity Passenger
Scheduled
Damage to Aircraft: Nil
Departure Point: Brisbane
Departure Time: 1511 EST
Destination: Rockhampton

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Air traffic control (ATC) cleared the pilot of VH-EWF to descend to 5,000 ft and to divert left of the 144 VOR radial as required to avoid weather. However, the pilot subsequently diverted to the right of the 144 radial. A breakdown in separation standards occurred with VH-XFT, a scheduled passenger flight outbound from Rockhampton, on climb to 7,000 ft and tracking via the 116 VOR radial.

The pilot of VH-EWF had requested clearance to track 5 NM left of the 144 radial. He was advised by ATC that the clearest conditions were to the west of that radial. The pilot later advised that he had diverted 5 NM left (west) of track. However, he had subsequently diverted to the right of the 144 VOR radial, and at 15 NM from the aerodrome, the aircraft was established on the 125 VOR radial.

