

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199200127**

**Piper Aircraft Corp
Navajo**

07 September 1992

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Occurrence Number: 199200127 **Occurrence Type:** Incident
Location: WILLIAMTOWN NSW
State: NSW **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Monday 07 September 1992
Time: 1040 hours **Time Zone:** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Piper Aircraft Corp
Aircraft Model: PA-31
Aircraft Registration: VH-KLS **Serial Number:**
Type of Operation: Charter Passenger
Damage to Aircraft: Nil
Departure Point: Williamtown NSW
Departure Time: 1032 EST
Destination: Canberra ACT

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Circumstances

VH-KLS departed Williamtown for Canberra at 1032 hours on a charter flight using IFR procedures. At 1040 hours the pilot contacted Sydney Flight Service and reported that he was on the 015 radial of the Sydney VOR and maintaining 6,000 ft.

The Flight Service Officer [FSO] held a flight strip on the aircraft but had received no co-ordination from Williamtown ATC. The FSO then contacted Williamtown ATC to ascertain the co-ordination required and was informed that VH-KLS had departed at 1032 hours.

There was no known conflicting traffic and therefore no breakdown in separation.

Significant Factors

1. Williamtown ATC did not co-ordinate the departure time of VH-KLS as required by the Manual of Air Traffic Services [MATS].