

Mbeya Air ACCIDENTS 31 December 2010

In the last 80 years there have been 11 aircraft accidents at Mbeya. Three of the accidents were fatal, killing a total of nine (9) persons. Three (3) aircraft were destroyed in the accidents.

	Date	Type & Reg	Location	Circumstances
1	16.12.2011	Cessna 206 5H-PCN	Uyole Experimental Farm	ACFT failed to climb after takeoff and force landed on a farm. ACFT destroyed.*
2	2.6.2010	BELL 206B 5H-MWK	Malangali hill 15 km SE of Mbeya Airport	The helicopter was caught in down draft and made a heavy landing.
3	16.12.2006	Cessna 310R 5H-TZA	Mbeya Airport	ACFT failed to climb after takeoff and collided with buildings. ACFT destroyed. - 4 persons killed
4	28.3.1998	Cessna 150 ZS-ENR	Mbeya Airport	ACFT failed to climb after takeoff and force landed on a school playground.
5	7.2.1996	Cessna 402B 5H-BEC	Mbeya Airport	Heavy landing, right main landing gear collapsed during landing roll.
6	22.2.1992	BAE 125 5H-SMZ	Mbeya Airport	During takeoff roll the ACFT overran runway 13 and collided with concrete blocks and trees located beyond the end of the runway. Damaged ACFT landed at Dodoma.
7	1.7.1985	HS 748 JW 9009	Near Mbeya Airport	ACFT failed to climb after takeoff and collided with trees. - 4 persons killed.
8	5.7.1973	Douglas DC-3	Mbeya Airport	ACFT ground looped during landing roll.

		5H-AAK		ACFT substantially damaged and was written off.
9	8.6.1967	Bell 47G-2 9J-RDA	Songwe	ACFT lost main rotor speed and crashed. Suspected mishandling of engine/collective pitch controls. ACFT destroyed.
10	28.6.1936	Percival Vega Gull G-AEAS	Mbeya	Circumstances not reported.
11	June 1933	DH 60 VP-KAX	Mbeya	Circumstances not reported.
12	1931	Glider	Mbeya	Circumstances not reported. - The pilot was killed in the accident.

Fatal accident ACFT = Aircraft

* This was a medical evacuation flight. One passenger, who was an ICU patient, was not injured in the accident. However, the passenger died a short time after the accident. This is not considered as a fatal accident because the passenger did not die from accident injuries.

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The first fatal accident involving a civil (non-military) aircraft in the country occurred in Mbeya in 1931. The accident aircraft was a glider which killed its British pilot.