



Notification

We inform you about a serious incident of an aircraft registered in France which occurred in France.

Place, date and time: St. Etienne (F), 23 March 2025, 10:00 LT

Aircraft

Registration Mark: F-GEBS
Type: Pilatus, PC6-B2H2
Operator: Private (skydiving center)
Owner: Private (skydiving center)

Pilot: 1

Flight:

Flight rules: Visual flight rules (VFR)
Type of operation: Private
Point of departure: Saint-Galmier (LFKM) (F)
Point of landing: Saint-Etienne (LFMH) (F)

Damage:

Crew: None
Passengers: None
Thirds: None
Aircraft: Slightly damaged
Ground: None

Short description: After dropping parachute-jumpers on a skydiving flight in steep descent, the trimmable horizontal stabilizer was mechanically blocked. A landing on a long runway could be arranged.

Remarks: The "Bureau d'Enquêtes et d'Analyses pour la sécurité de l'aviation civile" (BEA) of France has opened an investigation. (<http://www.bea.aero>)

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