

Permanently Grounded - Controlled Flight Into Terrain (CFIT)

This presentation highlights the inherent risk that Controlled Flight Into Terrain (CFIT) poses for General Aviation pilots. CFIT occurs when an airworthy aircraft is flown, under the control of a qualified pilot, into terrain with inadequate awareness on the part of the pilot of the impending collision. GA CFIT accidents account for 17% of all GA fatalities. More than half occurred during IMC, but many occur in VFR and clear weather. This presentation identifies major causes of CFIT mishaps and provides recommendations and strategies, including Approach and Landing Accident Reduction (ALAR), to decrease CFIT incidents within the GA community.

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Event Details

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