



# National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Final Report

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<b>Location:</b>	OSHKOSH, WI	<b>Accident Number:</b>	CHI98LA297B
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	08/01/1998, 1840 CDT	<b>Registration:</b>	N122BP
<b>Aircraft:</b>	Preece VANS RV-6	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Defining Event:</b>		<b>Injuries:</b>	1 None

**Flight Conducted Under:** Part 91: General Aviation - Personal

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## Analysis

The pilot of the other airplane was taxiing for departure on a north-south taxiway for a departure from runway 18R. He reported that the ATIS advised all traffic to watch the flagmen for ATC instructions. The pilot reported that he was watching the flagman as instructed. The pilot reported, 'The flagman gave me a signal to stop as I approached the intersection, and then changed to the right turn signal. I started my right turn. The flagman gave me no indication that there was an aircraft in my path, or that I should do anything other than complete the turn.' He reported that he was about halfway through the turn when his propeller struck the right wingtip of the RV-6. He reported, 'I was confident that this area was clear because the flagman, with a clear view, directed me to make the turn.' The pilot of the RV-6 was not aware of the conflict until the Cessna's propeller hit the right wing and aileron of his airplane.

## Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: the pilot of the other airplane did not maintain proper clearance.

## Findings

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Occurrence #1: COLLISION BETWEEN AIRCRAFT (OTHER THAN MIDAIR)  
Phase of Operation: TAXI

### Findings

1. (C) CLEARANCE - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT OF OTHER AIRCRAFT

## Factual Information

See Narrative for accident CHI98LA297A.

### Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Airline Transport	<b>Age:</b>	56, Male
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land	<b>Seat Occupied:</b>	Left
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Restraint Used:</b>	Seatbelt, Shoulder harness
<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	Airplane	<b>Second Pilot Present:</b>	No
<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Toxicology Performed:</b>	No
<b>Medical Certification:</b>	Class 2 Valid Medical--w/ waivers/lim.	<b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>	07/11/1997
<b>Occupational Pilot:</b>		<b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b>	
<b>Flight Time:</b>	8500 hours (Total, all aircraft), 40 hours (Total, this make and model), 7500 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 40 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 20 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft)		

### Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	Preece	<b>Registration:</b>	N122BP
<b>Model/Series:</b>	VANS RV-6 VANS RV-6	<b>Aircraft Category:</b>	Airplane
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>		<b>Amateur Built:</b>	Yes
<b>Airworthiness Certificate:</b>	Experimental	<b>Serial Number:</b>	22912
<b>Landing Gear Type:</b>	Tailwheel	<b>Seats:</b>	2
<b>Date/Type of Last Inspection:</b>	02/14/1998, Annual	<b>Certified Max Gross Wt.:</b>	1600 lbs
<b>Time Since Last Inspection:</b>	40 Hours	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Airframe Total Time:</b>	40 Hours	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	Lycoming
<b>ELT:</b>	Installed, not activated	<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	O-360
<b>Registered Owner:</b>	BILL PREECE	<b>Rated Power:</b>	180 hp
<b>Operator:</b>	BILL PREECE	<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>	None

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	OSH, 675 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	0 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	1853 CDT	Direction from Accident Site:	0°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear / 0 ft agl	Visibility	10 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	/	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:		Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	26 °C / 11 °C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:		Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	GREEN BAY, WI (GRB)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	1830 CDT	Type of Airspace:	Class D

## Airport Information

Airport:	OSHKOSH WHITMAN REGIONAL (OSH)	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	675 ft	Runway Surface Condition:	
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	

## Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	

## Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	JIM SILLIMAN	Report Date:	07/02/1999
Additional Participating Persons:	MICHAEL J WHEELER; MILWAUKEE, WI		
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