



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Preliminary Report

Location:	San Diego, CA	Accident Number:	WPR16LA063A
Date & Time:	02/03/2016, 1130 PST	Registration:	N499DR
Aircraft:	CESSNA 172S	Injuries:	2 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Instructional		

On February 3, 2016, about 1130 Pacific daylight time, A Cessna 172S, N499DR, impacted a parked, occupied Cessna 172S, N1955L at the Gillespie Field Airport (SEE), San Diego/El Cajon, California. Both airplanes were occupied with one certified flight instructor (CFI) and one student pilot; no one was injured. N499DR sustained minor damage, and N1955L sustained substantial damage to the fuselage structure and rudder. Both airplanes were registered to Sorbi Aviation Inc., and were operated by the California Flight Academy as 14 Code of Federal Regulations Part 91 instructional flights. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed at the time of the accident and neither airplane had filed a flight plan. Both airplanes were on the California Flight Academy parking ramp preparing for their local flights.

The CFI from N499DR reported that after completing a thorough preflight they hand towed the airplane out from its north facing parking spot and turned it towards the east. They started the engine and it idled between 800-1000 RPM. While listening to the airport's automatic terminal information service (ATIS) the airplane started to move with a right turning tendency. The CFI stated he did not notice it at first, but when he did, he stepped on the brakes; however, the airplane increased its right turn and struck a parked, occupied, airplane (N1955L).

The CFI of N1955L reported that the student pilot and he were preparing for their flight, with the airplane's engine off, when they suddenly felt a jolt and heard the sound of metal on metal. They turned in their seats and observed that another airplane (N499DR) had struck the aft fuselage of their airplane.

N499DR has been moved to a secure location for further examination.

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Manufacturer:	CESSNA	Registration:	N499DR
Model/Series:	172S	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Amateur Built:	No		
Operator:	CALIFORNIA FLIGHT ACADEMY	Air Carrier Operating Certificate:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Observation Facility, Elevation:	SEE, 388 ft msl	Observation Time:	1135 PST
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Temperature/Dew Point:	17° C / -3° C
Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	Calm	Visibility	8 Miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.34 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Departure Point:	San Diego, CA (SEE)	Destination:	San Diego, CA (SEE)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	2 None	Aircraft Damage:	Minor
Passenger Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None		

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Samantha A Link
Additional Participating Persons:	Cody Ingemansen; Federal Aviation Administration; San Diego, CA
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.