

Helicopter pilot and trainee taken to hospital after crashing during practice of emergency landing near Dingo

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TWO men have been taken to hospital after a helicopter manoeuvre went awry this afternoon near Dingo, about 120km west of Rockhampton.

The two-seater chopper, a Robinson 22, was returning from a day mustering when it crashed about 3pm near Alsace Rd.

The pilot and his experienced trainee were practising an emergency landing manoeuvre where the helicopter descends quickly but lands softly, but unfortunately the trainee struggled to pull it off.

The trainee, believed to be in his mid-thirties, was flown by CareFlight's Gladstone based helicopter with lower back pain to the Rockhampton Base Hospital, while the pilot, also with lower back pain, was taken to the same hospital by ambulance

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