

Light plane missing north-west of Gympie after failing to arrive at Dixalea, AMSA says

Authorities are searching for a light plane missing north-west of Gympie in south-east Queensland, the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) says.

The single engine aircraft departed Gympie yesterday about 9:30am (AEST) on Saturday travelling to the small town of Dixalea, about 80 kilometres west of Gladstone.

AMSA was alerted when the male pilot had failed to arrive and a search began about 4:15pm yesterday.

Search aircraft with thermal imaging and night vision equipment did searches of the area overnight.

Four planes and 10 helicopters are involved in the search, which resumed at first light this morning.

AMSA said anyone who saw a light plane near Gympie between 9:30am and 11:20am should contact them on 1800 815 257.

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