

Pilot escapes light plane crash into Gold Coast bushland with scratches

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Photo: Engine failure is possibly to blame for the light plane crash at Coombabah. (Supplied: Lauren De Joux, Seven News)

The pilot of a light plane has escaped with scratches after crashing into bushland on the Gold Coast.

The 75-year-old man was flying his single-engine Beechcraft when he got into trouble when coming in to land at the Southport Flying Club airstrip about 9:50am on Sunday.

Queensland Police said his engine lost power during the descent.

The experienced pilot crashed into trees at Coombabah, where the plane came to rest upside down.

"While there was damage to the plane ... the cabin remained intact," a police spokeswoman said.

"The pilot exited via the rear doors."

The pilot was taken to the Allamanda Private Hospital for a check-up, but his injuries were minor.

"[He had] light scratches," a Queensland Ambulance spokesperson said.

"That's a minor injury considering the crash.

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