

Israel Man Falls To Death From Height Of 330 Feet From Hot Air Balloon

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Jerusalem: A man dangling from the basket of a hot air balloon fell to his death onto a road in Israel on Tuesday, police said.

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Photos on Israeli news websites showed him in mid-air, clutching the red-and-white basket. Police said he fell onto a road in the north of the country from a height of about 100 meters (330 ft).

The balloon's pilot landed the craft safely.

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