

Seven dead in highway collision

AMMAN - Seven people were killed and 11 others injured, including four critically, in a tragic road collision on Wednesday, police officials said.

The accident occurred at around 12:30pm on Rweished-Safawi highway between a passenger bus and an Iraqi trailer, police sources said.

The head-on collision resulted in the instant death of seven bus passengers, according to Captain Amer Sartawi of the Public Security Department.

“The trailer was coming from Iraq while the bus was heading to the border when the accident occurred,” Satari told The Jordan Times.

The accident was the result of wrongful overtaking on the part of the trailer, causing it to meet head-on with the bus, which was coming in the other direction, the police official said based on initial reports.

Heavy fog and poor road visibility were also additional reasons for the tragic accident, Sartawi added.

Civil Defence Department ambulances rushed the injured to hospitals in Zarqa and Mafraq.

Police said they have formed an investigative committee to look into the accident and issue a final report.