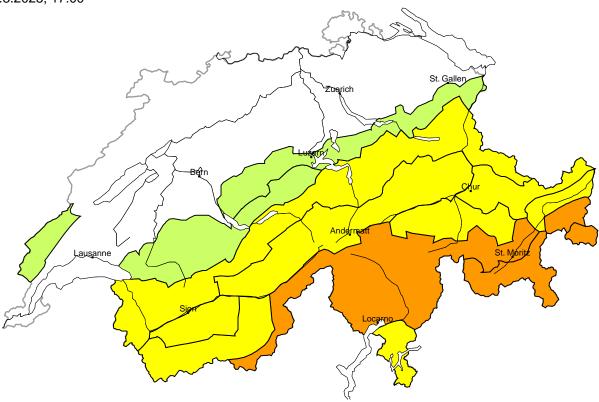
Avalanche danger

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region A

Considerable (3=)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Large quantities of fresh snow and the wind-drifted snow of last week are lying on the unfavourable surface of an old snowpack in particular on shady slopes. Even single winter sport participants can release avalanches, including large ones. Remotely triggered avalanches are possible. Whumpfing sounds and the formation of shooting cracks when stepping on the snowpack can indicate the danger. Avalanches can in some cases penetrate deep layers.

Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for extensive experience in the assessment of avalanche danger.

Low (1)

Wet snow

In particular on very steep sunny slopes small and medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation.



Danger levels



2 moderate



3 considerable



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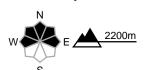
region B

Considerable (3-)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The new snow and wind slabs of last week are lying on the unfavourable surface of an old snowpack in particular on shady slopes. Single winter sport participants can release avalanches in some places, including large ones. Whumpfing sounds and the formation of shooting cracks when stepping on the snowpack can indicate the danger. Avalanches can also penetrate deep layers.

Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for experience in the assessment of avalanche danger.

Low (1)

Wet snow

In particular on very steep sunny slopes small and medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation.

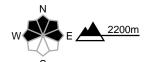
region C

Moderate (2+)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The new snow and wind slabs of last week are lying on the unfavourable surface of an old snowpack in particular on shady slopes. Winter sport participants can release avalanches in some places. Avalanches can also penetrate deep layers and reach large size in isolated cases.

Backcountry touring calls for experience in the assessment of avalanche danger.

Low (1)

Wet snow

In particular on very steep sunny slopes small and medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation.

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Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

3 considerable

4 high

5 very high

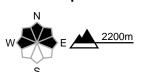
region D

Moderate (2=)



Wind slab

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The wind slabs of the last few days can still be released in some cases. Avalanches can reach medium size. Backcountry touring calls for careful route selection.

Low (1)

Wet snow

In particular on very steep sunny slopes small and medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation.

region E

Moderate (2=)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The wind slabs of the last few days can still be released in some cases. In isolated cases avalanches can also penetrate deep layers, in particular on very steep north facing slopes. Avalanches can reach medium size. Backcountry touring calls for careful route selection.

Low (1)

Wet snow

In particular on very steep sunny slopes small and medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation.

Danger levels





2 moderate

3 considerable

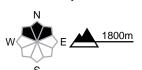
region F

Moderate (2=)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Weak layers in the old snowpack can still be released in some places. Such avalanche prone locations are to be found at transitions from a shallow to a deep snowpack and in areas where the snow cover is rather shallow. Avalanches can reach medium size. Backcountry touring calls for careful route selection.

Low (1)

Wet snow

In particular on very steep sunny slopes small and medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation.

region G

Moderate (2-)



No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Avalanches can in isolated cases be released by people and reach medium size. The somewhat older wind slabs are to be evaluated with care and prudence in particular in very steep terrain.

Careful route selection is recommended.

Low (1)

Wet snow

In particular on very steep sunny slopes small and medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation.

region H

Low (1)



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular in extremely steep terrain. Restraint should be exercised because avalanches can sweep people along and give rise to falls.

Low (1)

Wet snow

In particular on very steep sunny slopes small and medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation.



region I

Low (1)



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular in extremely steep terrain. Restraint should be exercised because avalanches can sweep people along and give rise to falls.



Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

There has been considerable snowfall on the Main Alpine Ridge and to the south of there over the past week. Especially on shady slopes, this snow is lying on an unfavourable, faceted old snow surface where it is sometimes prone to triggering. North of the Main Alpine Ridge, fresh and drifted snow layers are appreciably thinner.

In Valais, Ticino and Grisons, deep layers of the snowpack are also loose and faceted. Especially in Grisons, avalanches may be triggered into these deep layers of the snowpack on shady slopes. Individual gliding avalanches are possible.

Weather review for Tuesday

It was sunny in the north, Valais and the Engadine. It was very cloudy on the southern flank of the Alps and a few centimetres of snow fell above 1000 m in the late morning.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between +2 °C in the west, 0 °C in the north and -4 °C in the south.

Wind

- Light to moderate easterly wind during the night, strong Bise wind in the Jura in places.
- The winds were mostly light during the day.

Weather forecast to Wednesday

After a mostly clear night, it will be sunny.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between +1 °C in the north and -2 °C in the south.

Wind

Mostly light.

Snowpack

Thursday will be mostly sunny, Friday will be partly sunny with dense high cloud banks. The zero-degree level in the north will be around 2400 m on Thursday and will increase towards 3000 m on Friday, while in the south it will be around 2000 m. The wind will be mostly light. In the Alpine valleys of the north, there will be light foehn winds which will become increasingly strong from Friday afternoon.

The danger of dry avalanches will continue to decrease. As the day progresses, there will be a possibility of individual wet and gliding avalanches.

