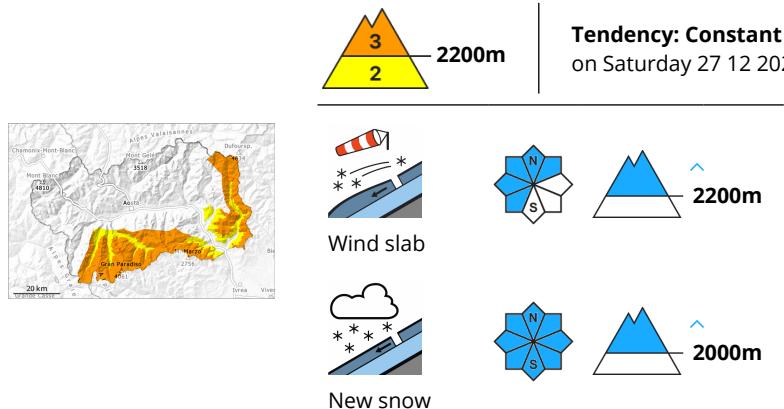


Danger Level 3 - Considerable



Locally increased avalanche danger along the borders with Piedmont.

At intermediate and high altitudes the avalanche prone locations are larger.

The new snow will be deposited on the unfavourable surface of an old snowpack in particular on steep shady slopes.

As a consequence of snowfall and the moderate wind, the snow drift accumulations will increase in size in the course of the day.

Medium-sized natural avalanches are possible. They can be released in deep layers.

Even single winter sport participants can release avalanches in some places. Caution is to be exercised in particular on very steep slopes, and in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain.

Snowpack

20 to 30 cm of snow, and even more in some localities, has fallen since Saturday above approximately 2000 m. 15 to 40 cm of snow, and even more in some localities, has fallen since Wednesday above approximately 1500 m.

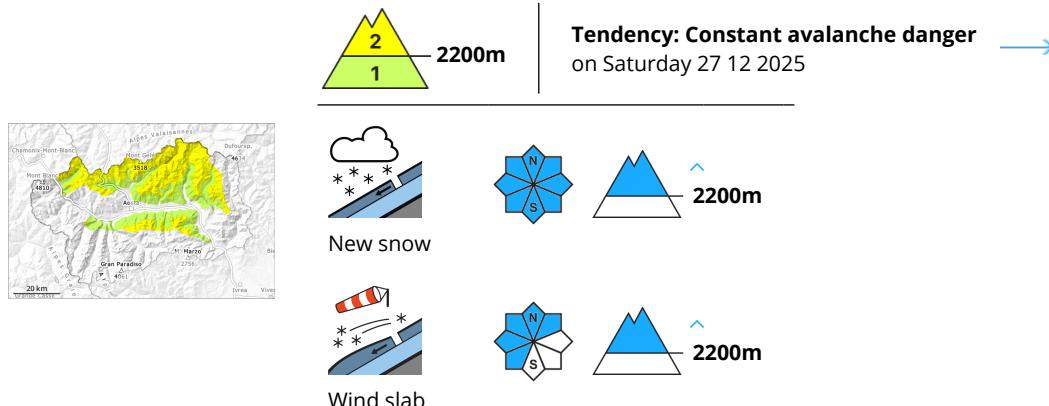
Large-grained weak layers exist in the old snowpack on shady slopes. In all altitude zones a little snow is lying on south facing slopes. At intermediate and high altitudes snow depths vary greatly, depending on the influence of the wind. The numerous rocks hidden by the recent snow are the main danger.

Tendency

As a consequence of rising temperatures and solar radiation the snowpack will consolidate during the next few days.



Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Locally increased avalanche danger along the borders with Switzerland.

The new snow and wind slabs of the last few days are lying on the unfavourable surface of an old snowpack on northwest to north to east facing aspects. At intermediate and high altitudes the avalanche prone locations are larger.

Single winter sport participants can release avalanches in some places. In some places the avalanches can be triggered in the faceted old snow, in particular on very steep slopes.

Several small and medium-sized natural avalanches are possible as a consequence of new snow and strong wind.

Snowpack

5 to 15 cm of snow has fallen since Saturday above approximately 2000 m. 15 to 25 cm of snow has fallen since Wednesday above approximately 1500 m.

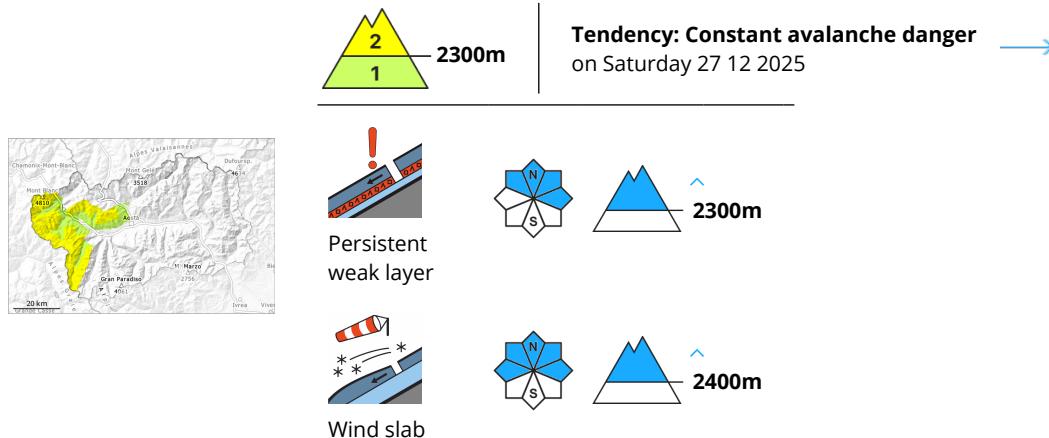
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Tendency

As a consequence of rising temperatures and solar radiation the snowpack will consolidate during the next few days.



Danger Level 2 - Moderate



The avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular on steep shady slopes above approximately 2300 m.

Mostly the avalanches are shallow but can be released in some cases by a single winter sport participant. This applies in particular adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls on very steep slopes. The avalanches can be triggered in the faceted old snow and reach medium size in isolated cases. Several small and, in isolated cases, medium-sized avalanches are possible as a consequence of new snow and strong wind.

Snowpack

5 to 10 cm of snow has fallen since Saturday above approximately 2200 m. 5 to 15 cm of snow has fallen since Wednesday above approximately 1500 m.

Weak layers exist in the old snowpack on shady slopes.

The new snow of the last few days is lying on surface hoar in some places. At intermediate and high altitudes snow depths vary greatly, depending on the influence of the wind. The numerous rocks hidden by the recent snow are the main danger.

Tendency

As a consequence of rising temperatures and solar radiation the snowpack will consolidate during the next few days.

