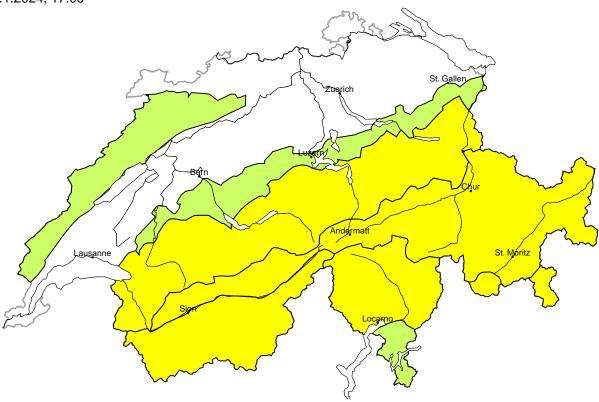
Avalanche danger

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region A

Moderate (2=)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The new snow and wind slabs of last week are poorly bonded with the old snowpack in some places. Avalanches can be released in near-surface layers in particular. Small to medium-sized avalanches are possible.

Careful route selection is recommended.

Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

On steep slopes individual medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large gliding avalanches are possible. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks. On very steep sunny slopes loose snow slides are possible, but they will be mostly small.

region B

Moderate (2=)



Wind slab, Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations

N E 2000m

Danger description

The fresh and older wind slabs can still be released in isolated cases, especially at their margins,. They are to be found in particular on south facing slopes. Avalanches can additionally in isolated cases be released in deeper layers in particular on steep north facing slopes. The avalanches can reach medium size. Backcountry touring calls for careful route selection.

Low (1)

Gliding snow

On steep grassy slopes individual gliding avalanches are possible.

region C

Moderate (2=)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations

W E 2200m

Danger description

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Careful route selection is recommended.

Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

On steep slopes individual medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large gliding avalanches are possible. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks. On very steep sunny slopes loose snow slides are possible, but they will be mostly small.

Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

3 considerable

4 high

5 very high

region D

Moderate (2=)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The new snow and wind slabs of last week are poorly bonded with the old snowpack in some places. Avalanches can be released in near-surface layers in particular. Small to medium-sized avalanches are possible.

Careful route selection is recommended.

Low (1)

Gliding snow

On steep grassy slopes individual gliding avalanches are possible.

region E

Low (1)



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found especially adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls. Apart from the danger of being buried, restraint should be exercised as well in view of the danger of avalanches sweeping people along and giving rise to falls.

region F

Low (1)



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found especially adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls. Apart from the danger of being buried, restraint should be exercised as well in view of the danger of avalanches sweeping people along and giving rise to falls.

Low (1)

Gliding snow

On steep grassy slopes individual gliding avalanches are possible.

Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

The snowdrift accumulations of recent days are fairly small, but some are still prone to triggering. Over the past three days, small and in some cases medium-sized avalanches have been released at the transition from this week's new snow and wind slabs to the old snowpack below.

On the central part of the southern flank of the Alps and in southern Upper Engadine, the old snowpack structure has been partially transformed, especially in places with little snow, and fractures deeper in the snowpack are possible in isolated cases. In the other regions, the bottom and middle sections of the snowpack are generally favourable, meaning that avalanches usually only involve the upper layers.

Some medium-sized and occasionally large gliding avalanches are still possible, especially at altitudes between 2000 and 2600 m.

Weather review for Thursday, 11.01.2024

It was sunny in the mountains.

New snow

Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, around -1 °C.

Wind

There was a moderate Bise wind in the Jura and the Prealps, strong at times in the Jura; otherwise mostly weak.

Weather forecast for Friday, 12.01.2024

After a mostly clear night, it will be sunny in the mountains.

New snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between +1 °C in the southwest and -3 °C in the northeast.

Wind

Winds will be weak to moderate, blowing from northerly directions.

Trend until Sunday, 14.01.2024

It will be sunny in the mountains, with clouds moving in from the west on Sunday afternoon. The zero-degree level will be around 2200 m in the west and 1800 m in the east. Weak to moderate northwesterly winds will blow at high altitudes. The danger of dry avalanches will continue to decrease. Some gliding avalanches, mostly of medium size, will still be possible.

