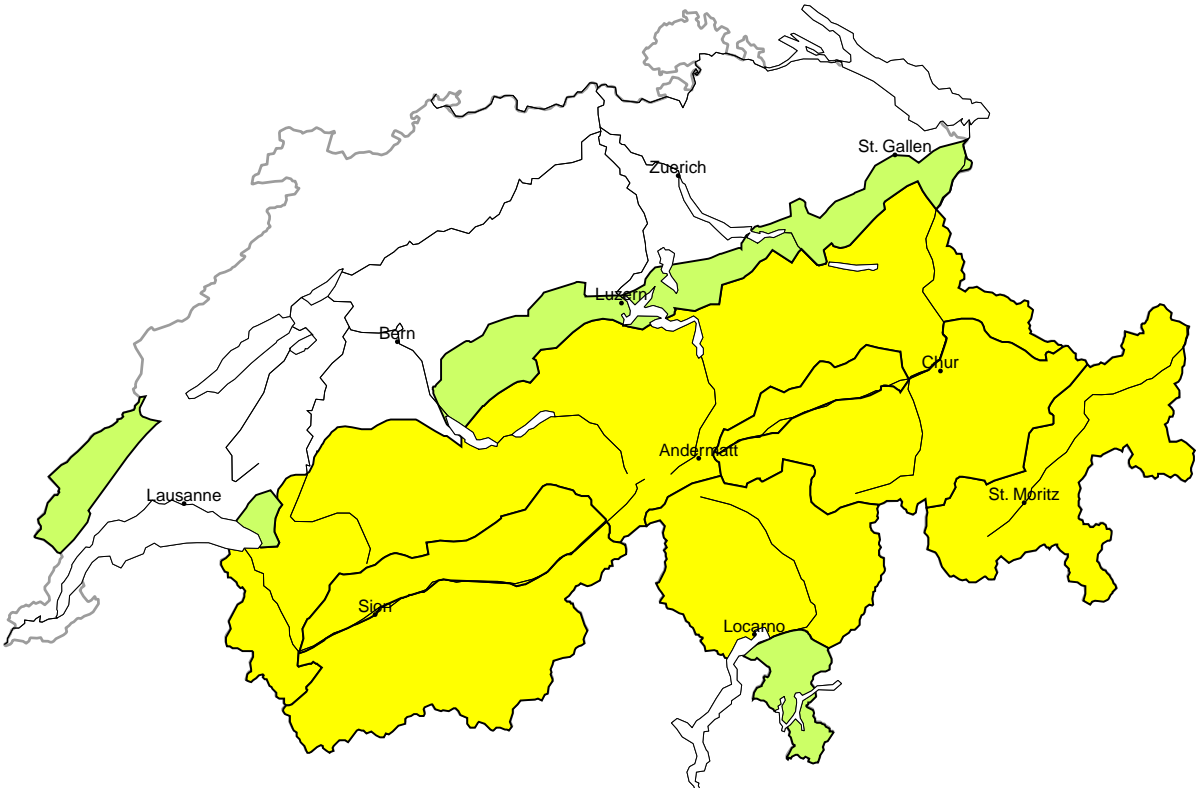
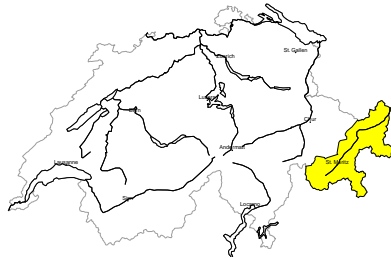


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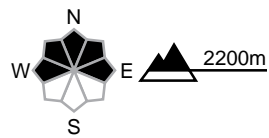
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Moderate (2=)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



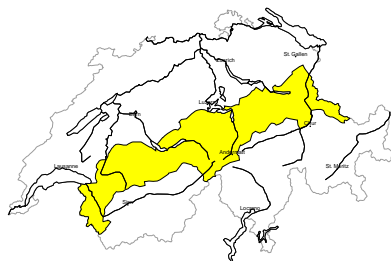
Danger description

Avalanches can be released in the old snowpack and reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are rather rare but are barely recognisable, even to the trained eye. Caution is to be exercised in particular on very steep shady slopes in little used backcountry terrain.

As a consequence of a moderate to strong southerly wind, small wind slabs formed on Saturday on north facing slopes. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence in terrain where there is a danger of falling. Backcountry touring calls for careful route selection.

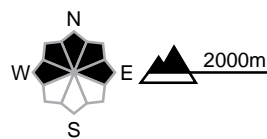
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Moderate (2-)



No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The avalanche conditions are generally favourable. Avalanches can in isolated cases be released in near-surface layers. Avalanches can reach medium size. Caution is to be exercised in particular on very steep shady slopes in little used backcountry terrain. As a consequence of a moderate to strong southerly foehn wind, small wind slabs formed on Saturday on north facing slopes. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence in terrain where there is a danger of falling.

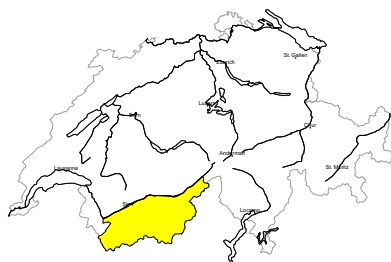
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Gliding snow

In particular on steep sunny slopes gliding avalanches are to be expected below approximately 2500 m. These can in some cases reach large size. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.

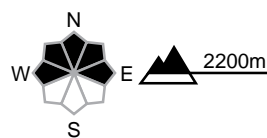
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Moderate (2-)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Avalanches can in isolated cases be released in the old snowpack and reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are barely recognisable. Caution is to be exercised in particular on very steep shady slopes in little used backcountry terrain. As a consequence of southerly wind, small wind slabs formed on Saturday on north facing slopes. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence in terrain where there is a danger of falling.

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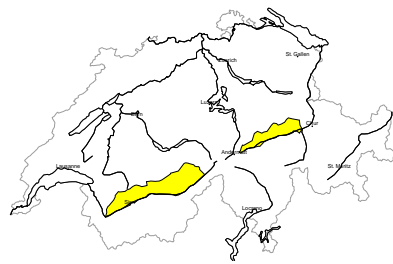
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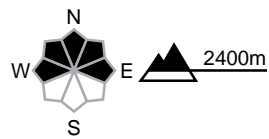
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Moderate (2-)



No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The avalanche conditions are generally favourable. Avalanches can in isolated cases be released in near-surface layers. Avalanches can reach medium size. Caution is to be exercised in particular on very steep shady slopes in little used backcountry terrain. As a consequence of a moderate to strong southerly foehn wind, small wind slabs formed on Saturday on north facing slopes. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence in terrain where there is a danger of falling.

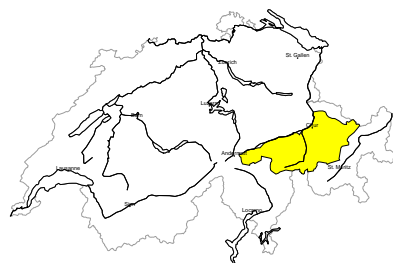
Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

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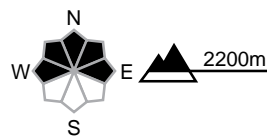
region E

Moderate (2-)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Avalanches can in isolated cases be released in the old snowpack and reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are barely recognisable. Caution is to be exercised in particular on very steep shady slopes in little used backcountry terrain. As a consequence of southerly wind, small wind slabs formed on Saturday on north facing slopes. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence in terrain where there is a danger of falling.

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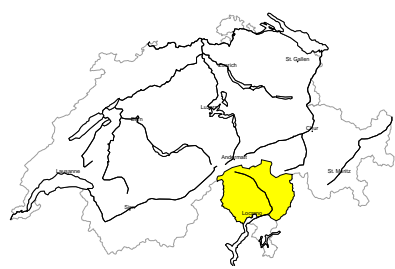
Gliding snow

In particular on steep sunny slopes gliding avalanches are possible below approximately 2500 m. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.



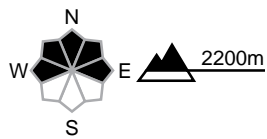
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Moderate (2-)



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



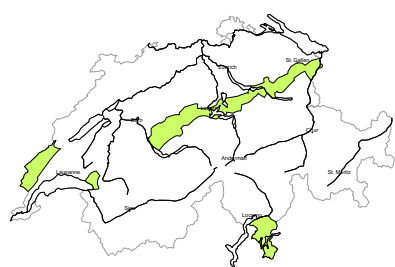
Danger description

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region G

Low (1)



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular in extremely steep terrain. Even a small avalanche can sweep people along and give rise to falls.

Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

In the north, the foehn wind transported some loose snow on north-facing slopes during the night to Saturday. Mostly thin, hard snowdrift accumulations developed locally. In addition, in the west and north, isolated avalanches may still be triggered in older, near-surface layers of the snowpack.

In southern Valais, Grisons and Ticino, there are also weak layers in the lower part of the snowpack where avalanches may still be triggered. These avalanche prone locations are quite rare, but a little more prevalent in the Engadine.

The warmer temperatures have led to an increase in gliding avalanches, including large ones mainly in the west.

Weather review for Saturday

In the north it was partly sunny with foehn winds, while in the south it was very cloudy.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

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

Wind

- Strong southerly winds in the regions exposed to the foehn wind in the north and in the Jura, otherwise moderate southerly winds
- Easing as the day progresses

Weather forecast to Sunday

It will be very cloudy. In the west and north, a little snow will fall above 1600 m. In the afternoon, it will be quite sunny on the Main Alpine Ridge in Valais and in Ticino.

Fresh snow

- Extreme west of Lower Valais: 5 to 10 cm.
- Vaud Alps and Prealps: up to 5 cm; otherwise dry

Temperature

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

Wind

There will be light winds.

Outlook

On Monday morning, it will still be quite sunny in the south and east. Otherwise it will be very cloudy on both days. On Tuesday, there will be a little widespread snowfall above 1500 m, most of it in the far west and the south with up to 10 cm. There will be a light to moderate southwesterly wind on both days.

The danger of dry avalanches will decrease on Monday. On Tuesday it may increase slightly in the far west, otherwise it will not change significantly. There will continue to be a possibility of gliding avalanches.