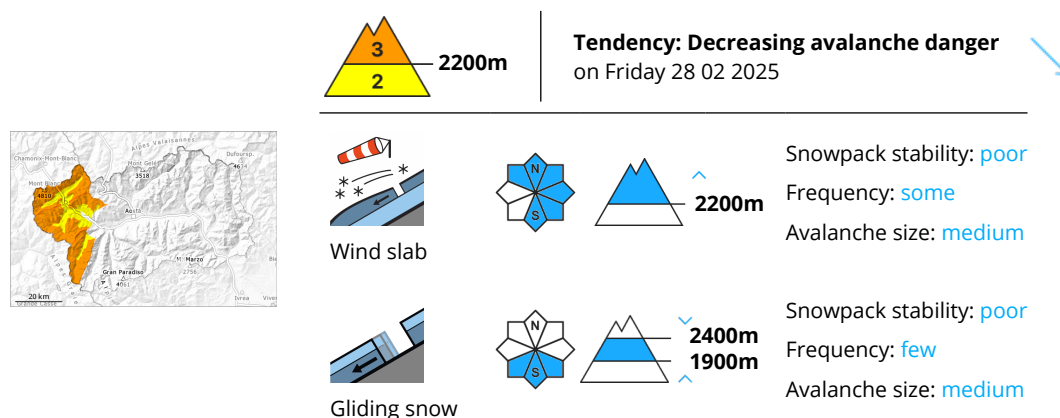


Danger Level 3 - Considerable



Wind slabs represent the main danger. The extensive wind slabs are clearly recognisable to the trained eye.

As a consequence of a moderate to strong wind from northwesterly directions, sometimes deep wind slabs formed in the last two days at intermediate and high altitudes. As a consequence of a moderate to strong wind from westerly directions, soft wind slabs will form on Thursday in places that are protected from the wind. They are to be evaluated with care and prudence in particular in very steep terrain. The fresh snow and in particular the wind slabs to be found especially in gullies and bowls and behind abrupt changes in the terrain can be released by a single winter sport participant above approximately 2200 m.

On extreme slopes and at the base of rock walls small and medium-sized snow slides and avalanches are possible, in particular, along the border with France.

Individual gliding avalanches can also occur. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided as far as possible. They are covered with new snow in some cases and therefore difficult to recognise.

Snowpack

15 to 30 cm of snow, and even more in some localities, fell in the last two days above approximately 2000 m, especially along the border with France.

The new snow is lying on a crust in particular on sunny slopes below approximately 2600 m. This snow is bonding only slowly with the old snowpack in particular on sunny slopes.

In shady places that are protected from the wind: Towards its surface, the snowpack is dry and has a loosely bonded surface.

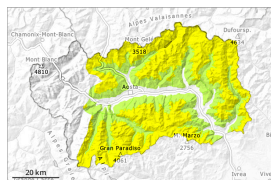
Snow depths vary greatly above approximately 2200 m, depending on the influence of the wind. Adjacent to ridgelines and in pass areas and at high altitude a little snow is lying. At low altitude less snow than usual is lying.

Tendency

The wind will be light. The fresh and older wind slabs are bonding well with the old snowpack above the tree line.



Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Decreasing avalanche danger
on Friday 28 02 2025



Wind slab



2400m

Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**

As a consequence of the moderate to strong westerly wind, fresh snow drift accumulations will form in the course of the day, caution is to be exercised in particular along the border with Switzerland. Here the likelihood of avalanches is higher.

The fresh and older wind slabs must be evaluated with care and prudence. They are bonding poorly with the old snowpack. The small quantity of fresh snow and in particular the mostly small wind slabs can be released by a single winter sport participant in some cases above approximately 2400 m. Such avalanche prone locations are to be found on extremely steep slopes and in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain. Apart from the danger of being buried, restraint should be exercised in particular in view of the danger of avalanches sweeping people along and giving rise to falls.

On extremely steep slopes and at the base of rock walls mostly small snow slides and avalanches are possible, in particular, along the border between Valais and Italy.

Snowpack

2 to 15 cm of snow, and up to 25 cm in some localities, fell on Tuesday above approximately 2200 m, in particular along the border with Switzerland.

The new snow is lying on a crust in particular on sunny slopes below approximately 2600 m.

In shady places that are protected from the wind: Towards its surface, the snowpack is dry and has a loosely bonded surface.

Snow depths vary greatly above approximately 2200 m, depending on the influence of the wind. Adjacent to ridgelines and in pass areas and at high altitude a little snow is lying. At low altitude less snow than usual is lying. In the south-east of the region, watch out for the numerous rocks hidden by the little recent snow.

Tendency

The wind will be light.

