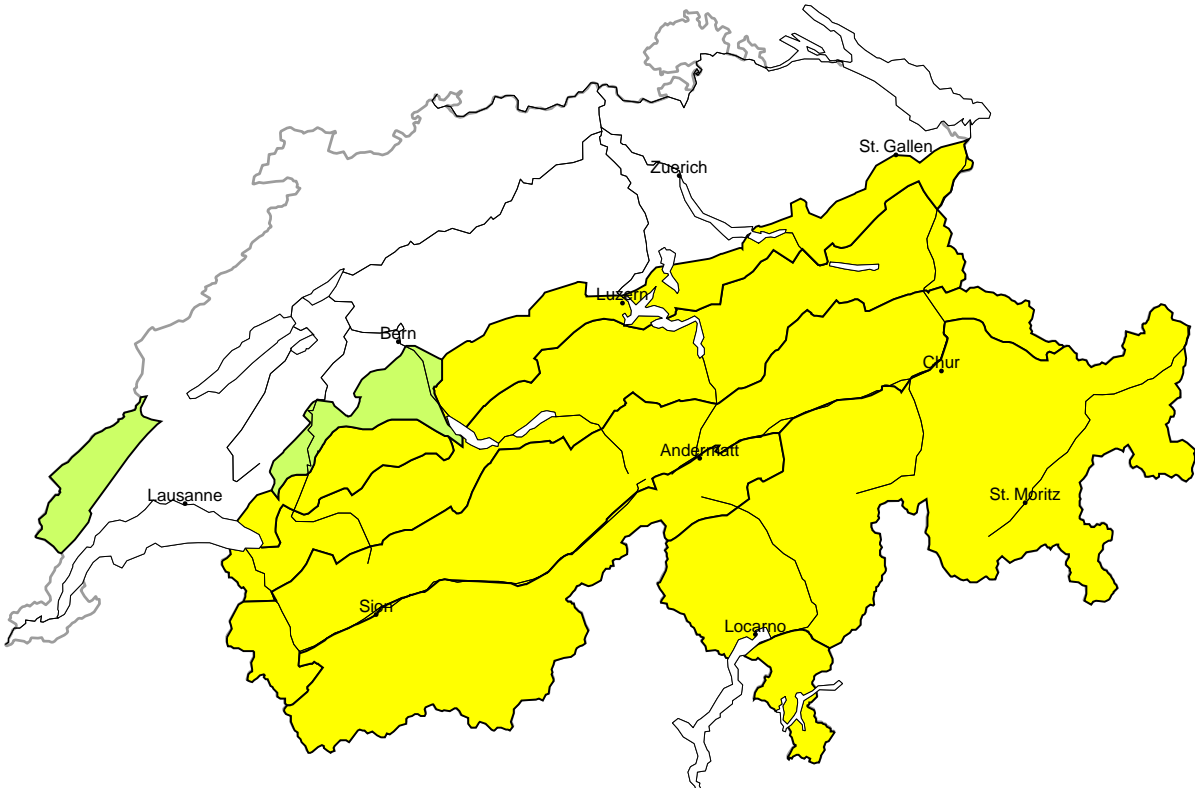
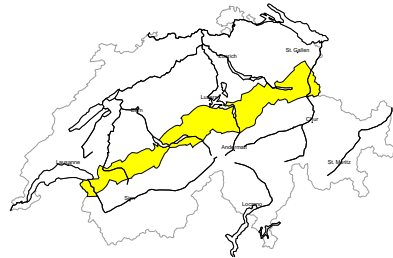


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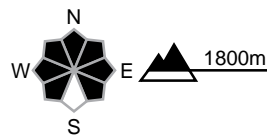
region A

Moderate (2+)



New snow, Wind slab

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

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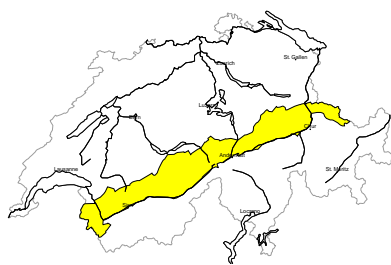
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Gliding snow

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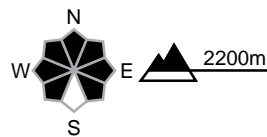
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Moderate (2+)



New snow, Wind slab

Avalanche prone locations



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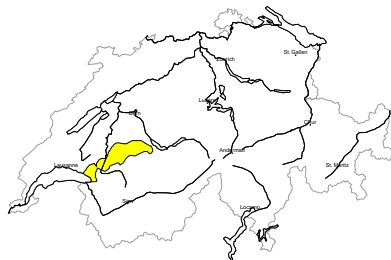
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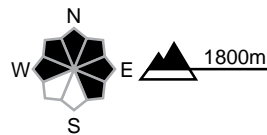
region C

Moderate (2=)



New snow, Wind slab

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The fresh snow and the wind slabs are in some cases still prone to triggering. Avalanches can in some places be released by people. They can in isolated cases reach medium size. Careful route selection is recommended.

Moderate (2)

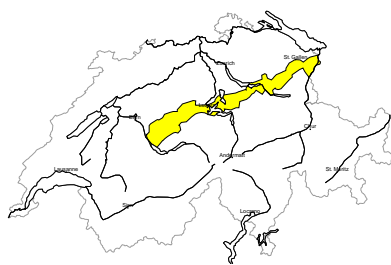
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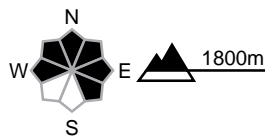
region D

Moderate (2=)



New snow, Wind slab

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

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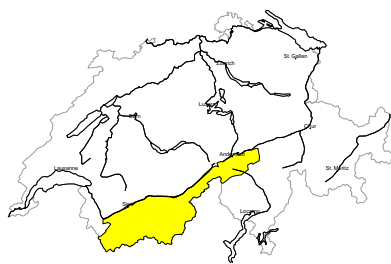
Low (1)

Gliding snow

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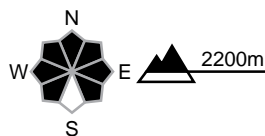
region E

Moderate (2=)



Wind slab, Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The fresh and older wind slabs are in some cases prone to triggering. Single winter sport participants can release avalanches. These can in isolated cases penetrate near-ground layers of the snowpack and reach dangerously large size. Such avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular in little used backcountry terrain. Ski touring and other off-piste activities, including snowshoe hiking, call for careful route selection.

Moderate (2)

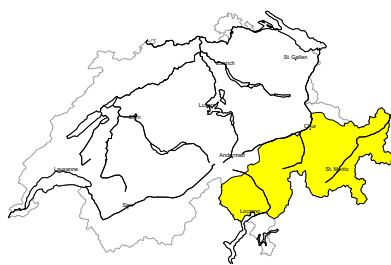
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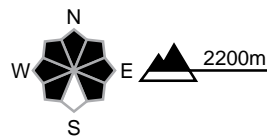
region F

Moderate (2=)



Wind slab, Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations

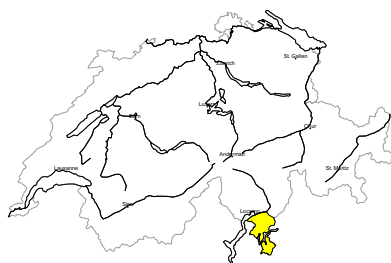


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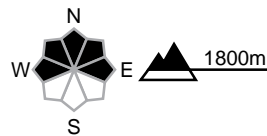
region G

Moderate (2-)



No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanche prone locations

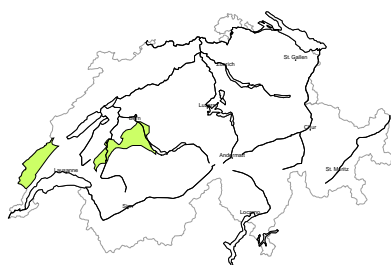


Danger description

The older wind slabs are in some cases still prone to triggering. Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain. Mostly avalanches are small. 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.

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.

Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

The large volumes of fresh and drifted snow in the north are becoming increasingly stable. However, the bond to the old snowpack is still rather weak in places. In southern Valais, Grisons and Ticino, some of Friday's and Saturday's snowdrift accumulations are still prone to triggering, on the other hand some weak layers remain in the lower part of the snowpack. In these regions, avalanches can be triggered in drifted snow and fracture down to deep layers of the snowpack or occasionally be triggered directly in deep layers. Isolated gliding avalanches, sometimes large, are possible.

Weather review for Sunday

In the north, cloud cover was sometimes broken and sometimes heavy, while conditions in the south were mostly sunny.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

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

Wind

West- to northwesterly

- at times moderate to strong at high altitude
- elsewhere light to moderate.

Weather forecast to Monday

Apart from a few patches of cloud in the far south, conditions will be mostly sunny.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between 0 °C in the west and -3 °C in the east

Wind

West- to northwesterly

- at times strong on the Main Alpine Ridge in Upper Valais and on the Northern Alpine Ridge from the Bernese Oberland into Central Switzerland
- otherwise mostly light, also moderate at high altitudes

Outlook

Tuesday will be mostly sunny. On Wednesday it will be partly cloudy, but dry in the south. Elsewhere conditions will be mostly sunny. Winds will be light to moderate from westerly directions. The zero-degree level will be around 2000 m. Avalanche danger will decrease, but only slowly in southern Valais, Ticino and Grisons due to the weak snowpack structure. Gliding avalanches are still possible.

