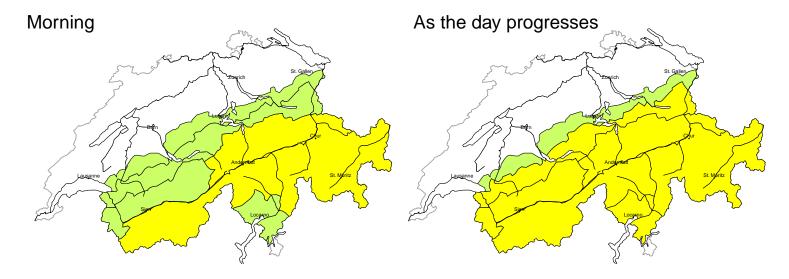
Avalanche danger

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region A

Moderate (2=) Dry avalanches, whole day



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Dry avalanches can in some cases be released in the old snowpack and reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are rather rare but are difficult to recognise. Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for defensive route selection. In addition small wind slabs formed in high Alpine regions. They are to be evaluated with care and prudence in particular in terrain where there is a danger of falling.

Moderate (2) Wet-snow and gliding avalanches, as the day progresses

Wet snow, Gliding snow

As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large wet and gliding avalanches are to be expected. This applies on steep sunny slopes below approximately 3000 m, as well as on steep north facing slopes below approximately 2400 m.

Backcountry tours, off-piste skiing and ascents to alpine cabins should be concluded timely.

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Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

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3 considerable

4 high

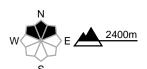
5 very high

region B

Moderate (2-) Dry avalanches, whole day

No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Dry avalanches can in isolated cases be released in near-surface layers. This applies in particular on very steep north facing slopes. Mostly the avalanches are small.

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

Moderate (2) Wet-snow and gliding avalanches, as the day progresses

Wet snow, Gliding snow

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Backcountry tours, off-piste skiing and ascents to alpine cabins should be concluded timely.

region C

Moderate (2-) Dry avalanches, whole day



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

In isolated cases dry avalanches can be released in the old snowpack and reach medium size. These avalanche prone locations are rare and are difficult to recognise. Careful route selection is recommended. 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.

Moderate (2) Wet-snow and gliding avalanches, as the day progresses

Wet snow, Gliding snow

As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large wet and gliding avalanches are to be expected. This applies on steep sunny slopes below approximately 3000 m, as well as on steep north facing slopes below approximately 2400 m.

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Danger levels

3 considerable

4 high

region D

Low (1) Dry avalanches, whole day



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations for dry avalanches are to be found in particular in extremely steep 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.

Moderate (2) Wet-snow and gliding avalanches, as the day progresses

Wet snow, Gliding snow

As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large wet and gliding avalanches are to be expected. This applies on steep sunny slopes below approximately 3000 m, as well as on steep north facing slopes below approximately 2400 m.

Backcountry tours, off-piste skiing and ascents to alpine cabins should be concluded timely.

region E

Low (1) Dry avalanches, whole day



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found on very steep shady slopes and in high Alpine regions. 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.

Moderate (2) Wet-snow and gliding avalanches, as the day progresses

Wet snow, Gliding snow

As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large wet and gliding avalanches are to be expected. This applies on steep sunny slopes below approximately 3000 m, as well as on steep north facing slopes below approximately 2400 m.

Backcountry tours, off-piste skiing and ascents to alpine cabins should be concluded timely.

region F

Low (1)



Wet snow

In particular on very steep west, north and east facing slopes individual medium-sized wet avalanches are possible. Restraint should be exercised because avalanches can sweep people along and give rise to falls.

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Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

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3 considerable

4 high

5 very high

Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

The snowpack is quite favourable over widespread areas in the north, with only very occasional avalanches still being triggered in near-surface layers of the snowpack. In southern Valais, Ticino and Grisons, there are faceted layers deeper in the snowpack. A few avalanches have been triggered in the old snowpack in recent days, especially from the Davos region via the Engadine to Val Müstair, and occasionally also on the Main Alpine Ridge in Valais. With the northerly wind, small wind slabs formed locally at higher altitudes on Sunday.

With the warmth and sun, the snowpack is increasingly being saturated with water. On southern slopes, the snowpack is water-saturated up into the high Alpine regions, while on eastern and western slopes the majority is water-saturated up to around 2800 m. North-facing slopes are water-saturated to around 1800 m, with the surface moist up to around 2500 m. In areas with weak snow layering, moist slab avalanches can be triggered by people in some places.

A strong melt-freeze crust will form during the night into Monday. As daytime temperatures rise in the sunshine, this will soften as the day progresses and the risk of wet and gliding avalanches will increase.

Weather review for Sunday

It was mostly sunny.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between +6 °C in the west and south and 0 °C in the east.

Wind

Moderate to strong northerly to northeasterly at higher altitudes and in the upper Alpine valleys in the south, elsewhere light to moderate.

Weather forecast to Monday

After a mostly clear night, it will be sunny on Monday. In the far south, it will be only partly sunny with patches of high stratus-like clouds in the late morning.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between +4 °C in the west and 0 °C in the east.

Wind

Moderate at high altitudes, with a sometimes strong northerly wind on the central and eastern parts of the Main Alpine Ridge.



Outlook

After a mostly clear night, it will be sunny on Tuesday. The zero-degree level will be between 2500 m in the west and 2000 m in the east. The wind will be moderate to strong at times on the central and eastern parts of the Main Alpine Ridge, otherwise light to moderate.

The night into Wednesday will be mostly clear. During the day it will be sunny with cumulus clouds as the day progresses and there will also be banks of cloud in the west and north. The zero-degree level will be around 2300 m. There will be a mostly light westerly to northwesterly wind.

The danger of dry avalanches will decrease on both days, but only slowly in the areas with weakly bonded old snow. The danger of wet and gliding avalanches will increase during the day. Tours and hut ascents should be completed in good time.

