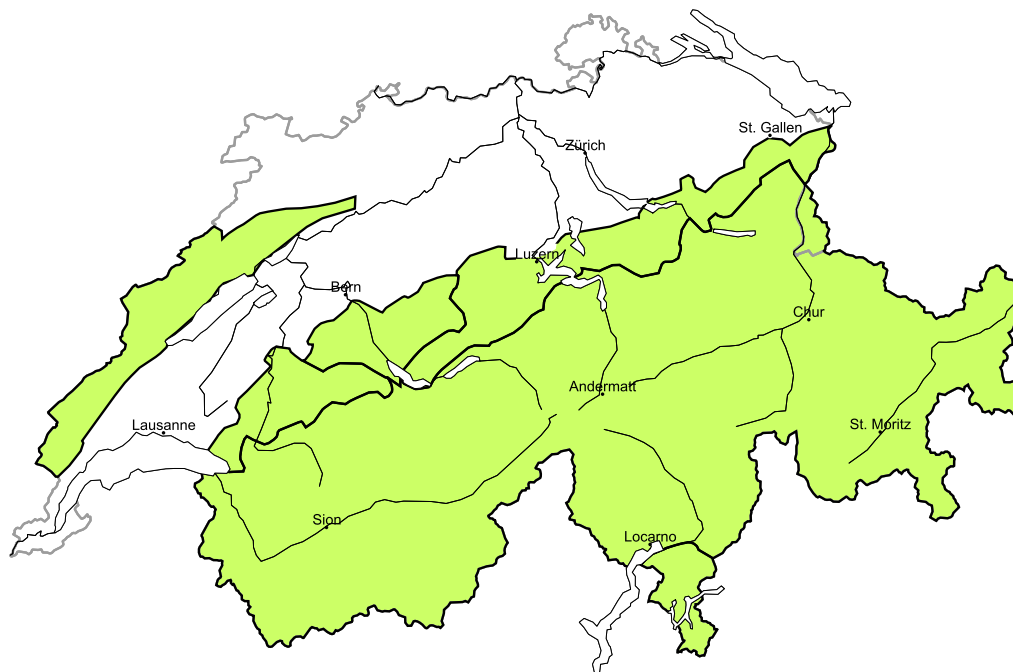


In the early morning a favourable avalanche situation will prevail

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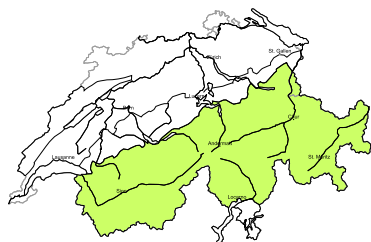
Dry avalanches

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Dry, region A

Level 1, low



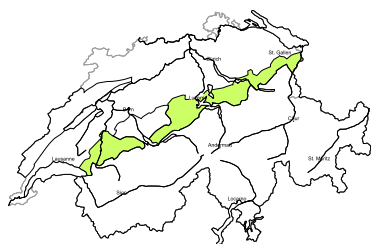
Avalanches can in isolated cases be released especially on little-used, rather lightly snow-covered north facing slopes. These avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular above approximately 2200 m. Avalanches can in very isolated cases reach medium size.

Extremely steep slopes are to be traversed by snow sport participants one at a time. Apart from the danger of being buried, restraint should be exercised in view of the danger of avalanches sweeping people along and giving rise to falls.

Additional danger: Wet avalanches as day progresses (see 2nd map)

Dry, region B


Level 1, low





Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular on extremely steep north facing slopes at elevated altitudes. Restraint should be exercised because avalanches can sweep people along and give rise to falls.

Additional danger: Wet avalanches as day progresses (see 2nd map)


Danger levels

 1 low

 2 moderate

 3 consider.

 4 high

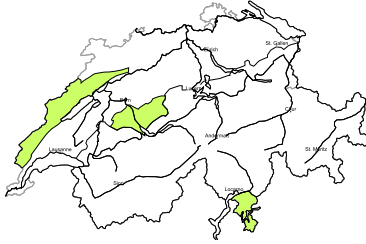
 5 very high



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Dry, region C

Level 1, low





Hardly any more dry avalanches are possible.

Additional danger: Wet avalanches as day progresses (see 2nd map)


Danger levels

 1 low

 2 moderate

 3 consider.

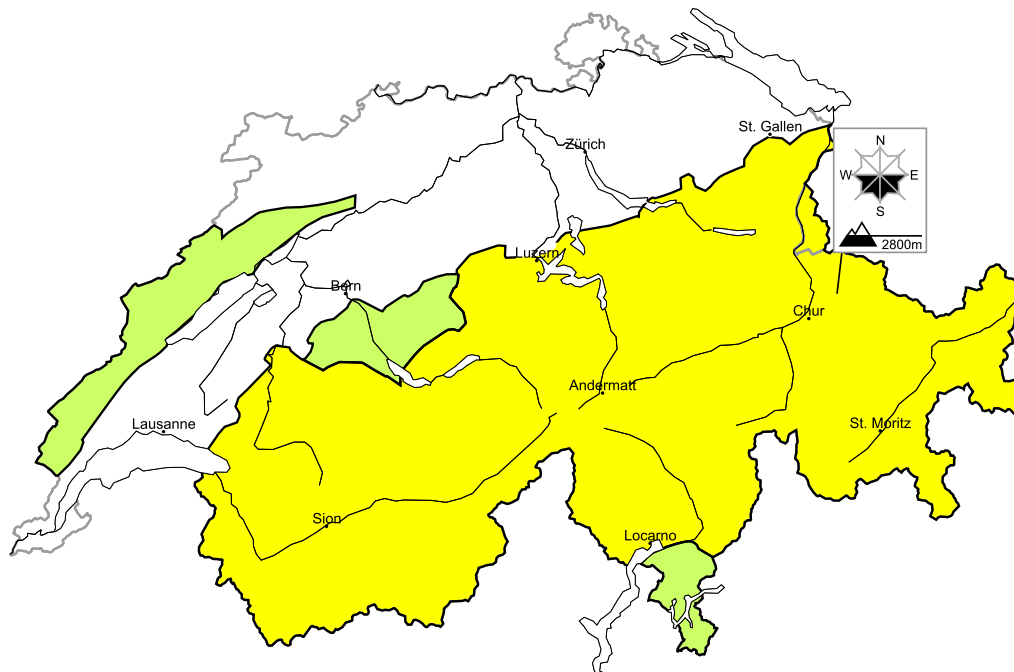
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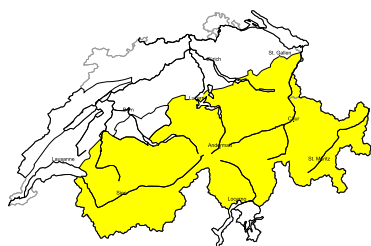
Wet avalanches as day progresses

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Wet, region A

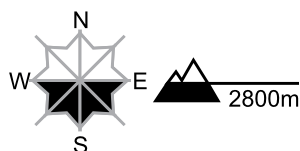
Level 2, moderate



Wet avalanches as day progresses

Avalanche prone locations

Danger description

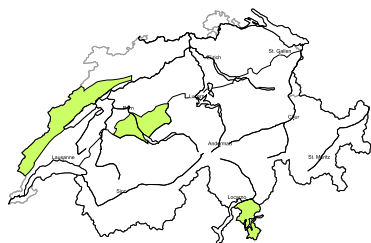


As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation gliding avalanches and wet snow slides are possible as the day progresses. Backcountry tours should be concluded timely.

Additional danger: Dry avalanches (see 1st map)

Wet, region B

Level 1, low




Wet avalanches as day progresses


As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation individual wet snow slides are possible. Restraint should be exercised because avalanches can sweep people along and give rise to falls.

Additional danger: Dry avalanches (see 1st map)


Danger levels

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Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

The snowpack layering is favourable over widespread areas. Particularly in zones where the snow is shallow on steep, north-facing slopes above approximately 2000 m, there are weak layers evident inside the snowpack. In isolated cases medium-sized avalanches have been triggered during the last few days.

On steep, north-facing slopes the snowpack surface is frequently still powdery. On east-facing, south-facing and west-facing slopes, a crust tends to form up to high altitudes during the nighttime hours which in some places is capable of bearing loads.

As a consequence of solar radiation and daytime warming, wet-snow and glide-snow avalanches are possible on sunny slopes below approximately 2800 m during the course of the day.

Observed weather on Saturday, 23.03.2019

Following a night of predominantly clear skies, it was sunny during the daytime.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, +7 °C.

Wind

Winds were light.

Weather forecast through Sunday, 24.03.2019

Following a night of clear skies, it will be sunny during the daytime.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between +4 °C in northern regions and +6 °C in southern regions.

Wind

Winds during the nighttime hours will be light, during the daytime blowing at light to moderate strength from southwesterly to westerly directions.

Outlook through Tuesday, 26.03.2019

On Monday during the night and on Tuesday, a small amount of snowfall is anticipated on the northern flank of the Alps and in northern and central Grisons, accompanied by intermittently strong northerly winds. The snowfall level will lie at about 1300 m. In the other regions of Switzerland it will remain predominantly dry. On Tuesday in the northern and eastern regions, skies will be overcast to start with, subsequently it will turn predominantly sunny, as is already the case in the other regions.

The danger of dry-snow avalanches can increase somewhat in the northern and eastern regions. In the other regions of Switzerland, avalanche danger levels are not expected to change significantly. As a result of the lower temperatures, wet-snow and glide-snow avalanches are no longer to be expected.