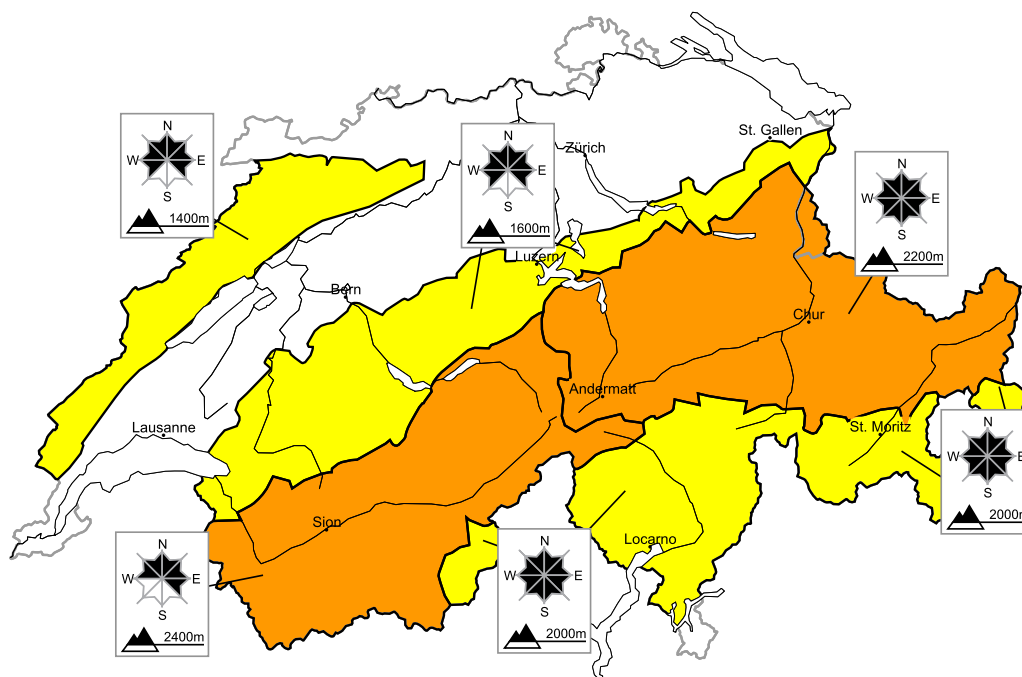


# At elevated altitudes a considerable avalanche danger will be encountered over a wide area

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## Avalanche danger

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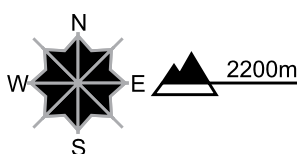
### region A

**Level 3, considerable**



#### Wind slabs

#### Avalanche prone locations

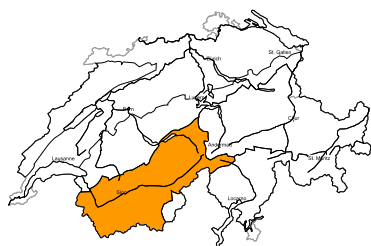


#### Danger description

The sometimes avalanche-prone wind slabs of the last few days represent the main danger. Avalanches can be released, even by a single winter sport participant and reach large size in isolated cases. Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for experience in the assessment of avalanche danger and careful route selection.

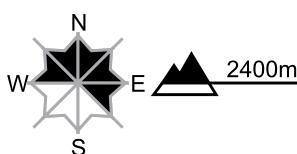
### region B

**Level 3, considerable**



#### Wind slabs

#### Avalanche prone locations



#### Danger description

The sometimes avalanche-prone wind slabs of the last few days are clearly recognisable to the trained eye. Avalanches can in some cases be released by a single winter sport participant and reach large size in isolated cases. Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for meticulous route selection.

#### Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

3 consider.

4 high

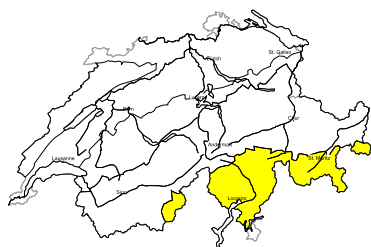
5 very high



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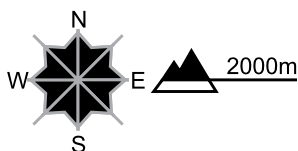
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**Level 2, moderate**



**Wind slabs**

**Avalanche prone locations**



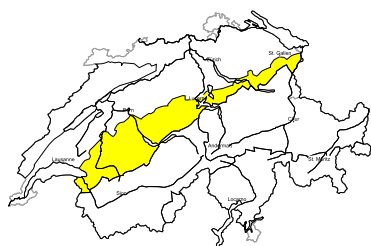
**Danger description**

The more recent wind slabs are in some cases still prone to triggering. Avalanches can in isolated cases be released by a single winter sport participant, but they will be small in most cases.

The wind slabs are to be evaluated with care and prudence in steep terrain.

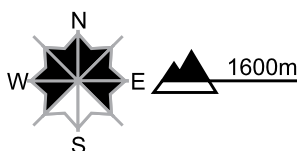
**region D**

**Level 2, moderate**



**Wind slabs**

**Avalanche prone locations**



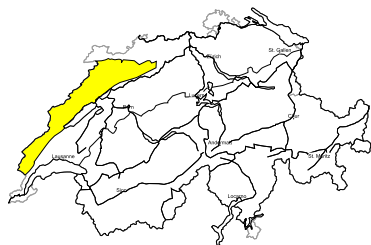
**Danger description**

As a consequence of a moderate bise wind, wind slabs formed in some places. The wind slabs of the last few days are in some cases prone to triggering. Avalanches can in isolated cases be released by a single winter sport participant, but they will be small in most cases.

The wind slabs are to be evaluated with care and prudence in steep terrain.

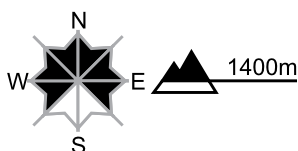
**region E**

**Level 2, moderate**



**Wind slabs**

**Avalanche prone locations**



**Danger description**

The more recent wind slabs are in some cases prone to triggering. Avalanches can in some places be released by people, but they will be small in most cases.

Caution is to be exercised in particular in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain.

## Snowpack and weather

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### Snowpack

The fresh fallen snow from Tuesday and Wednesday has been transported and distributed in highly irregular ways as a result of the storm-strength winds, but is still rather loosely-packed in many places. On wind-exposed slopes the fresh snow was completely blown away and a glass-like rain crust was exposed. The fresh snow and fresh drifts are bonding increasingly well with the crust beneath them. Beneath this crust the snowpack below approximately 2200 to 2400 m is soft and thoroughly wet.

More deeply embedded inside the snow cover, particularly in the inneralpine regions in general on relatively wind-protected slopes, there are weak layers evident. However, avalanche triggerings have not been registered as fracturing from these layers for several days now.

The activity of gliding avalanches is currently low. Nevertheless, releases cannot be ruled out in isolated cases.

### Observed weather on Thursday, 06.02.2020

It was sunny over widespread areas, accompanied by some cloudbanks.

#### Fresh snow

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#### Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between 0 °C in the western regions and -3 °C in the eastern regions.

#### Wind

- During the night: in the northwestern regions a bise wind was blowing temporarily at moderate to strong velocity;
- during the daytime: generally light northerly to northeasterly winds were blowing.

### Weather forecast through Friday, 07.02.2020

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

#### Fresh snow

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#### Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between +4 °C in the western regions and +2 °C in the eastern regions.

#### Wind

Winds will be light, shifting from easterly to westerly.

### Outlook through Sunday, 09.02.2020

On Saturday it will continue to be sunny and mild in the mountains. During the course of the day, cloud cover will move in increasingly from the west. On Sunday it will be only partly sunny and a small amount of precipitation is possible from place to place.

The danger of dry-snow avalanches will continue to diminish.