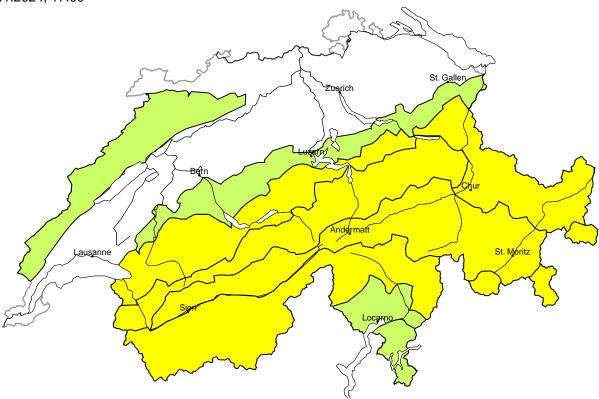
Avalanche danger

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region A

Moderate (2-)



No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanche prone locations

W E 2400m

Danger description

Avalanches can in some cases be released in nearsurface layers and reach medium size. These avalanche prone locations are to be found especially in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain. Backcountry touring calls for meticulous route selection.

Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

On steep slopes individual medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large gliding avalanches are possible. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.

Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

3 considerable

4 high

5 very high

region B

Moderate (2-)



No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanche prone locations

W E 2200m

Danger description

Avalanches can in some cases be released in nearsurface layers and reach medium size. These avalanche prone locations are to be found especially in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain. Backcountry touring calls for meticulous route selection.

Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

On steep slopes individual medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large gliding avalanches are possible. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.

region C

Moderate (2-)

No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Avalanches can in some cases be released in nearsurface layers and reach medium size. These avalanche prone locations are to be found especially in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain. Backcountry touring calls for meticulous route selection.

Low (1)

Gliding snow

On steep grassy slopes individual gliding avalanches are possible.

region D

Moderate (2)



Gliding snow

On steep slopes individual medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large gliding avalanches are possible. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.

Low (1)

No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanches can in isolated cases be released in near-surface layers and reach medium size in isolated cases. These avalanche prone locations are to be found especially in extremely steep terrain. 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.



region E

Low (1)



No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanches can in isolated cases be released in near-surface layers and reach medium size in isolated cases. These avalanche prone locations are to be found especially in extremely steep terrain. 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.

Low (1)

Gliding snow

On steep grassy slopes individual gliding avalanches are possible.

region F

Low (1)



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found especially adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls. 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.

region G

Low (1)



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found especially adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls. 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.

Low (1)

Gliding snow

On steep grassy slopes individual gliding avalanches are possible.

Danger levels

3 considerable



5 very high

Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

Some of the snow from the start of this week is resting on a layer with facets. In isolated cases, avalanches may still be released in these near-surface layers on very steep shaded slopes.

In the central part of the southern flank of the Alps and in southern Upper Engadine, the old snowpack structure has been partially transformed, especially in places with little snow. Avalanches originating deeper in the snowpack cannot be ruled out there. In the other regions, the bottom and middle sections of the snowpack are generally favourable, meaning that avalanches usually only involve the upper layers.

Some medium-sized and occasionally large gliding avalanches are still possible, especially at altitudes between 2000 and 2600 m.

Weather review for Friday, 12.01.2024

It was sunny in the mountains.

New snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between +1 °C in the southwest and -3 °C in the northeast.

Wind

Winds were strong at times in the Jura and Prealps, otherwise mostly weak to moderate, blowing from the north and east.

Weather forecast for Saturday, 13.01.2024

In the mountains it will be sunny after a clear night.

New snow

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Temperature

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

Wind

There will be weak to moderate northerly winds.

Trend until Monday, 15.01.2024

In the mountains it will be sunny at first on Sunday, with clouds moving in from the west in the afternoon. Monday will be sunny at times, with some precipitation possible in some localities in the north. The westerly wind will increase in strength on Monday. It will get significantly colder.

There will be hardly any change in the danger of dry avalanches. Some gliding avalanches, mostly of medium size, will still be possible.

