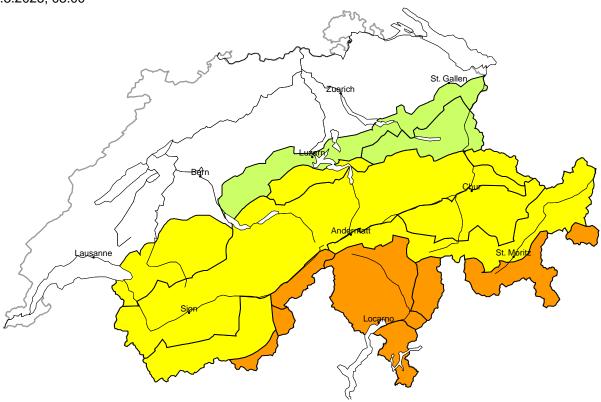
Avalanche danger

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region A

Considerable (3-)



New snow, Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations

W E 2200m

Danger description

The new snow and wind slabs of the last few days are in some cases still prone to triggering. Single snow sport participants can release avalanches. Avalanches can in some cases penetrate deep layers and reach large size. These avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular in little used backcountry terrain and in areas where the snow cover is rather shallow. Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for experience in the assessment of avalanche danger and careful route selection.

Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

Outgoing longwave radiation during the night was reduced in some cases. 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 especially on steep north and east facing slopes below approximately 2200 m, and elsewhere below approximately 2600 m. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.



Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

3 considerable

4 high

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region B

Considerable (3-)



New snow, Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations

N W E 2200m

Danger description

The new snow and wind slabs of the last few days are in some cases still prone to triggering. Single snow sport participants can release avalanches.

Avalanches can in some cases penetrate deep layers and reach large size. These avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular in little used backcountry terrain and in areas where the snow cover is rather shallow. Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for experience in the assessment of avalanche danger and careful route selection.

Considerable (3)

Wet snow

As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation occasionally large moist loose snow avalanches are to be expected. 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. Backcountry tours, off-piste skiing and ascents to alpine cabins should be concluded timely.

In addition individual gliding avalanches are possible. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.

region C

Moderate (2+)



Wind slab, Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Sunshine and high temperatures will give rise to a loss of strength within the snowpack. In some places avalanches can also be triggered in the old snowpack and reach medium size.

In addition the wind slabs of the last few days are prone to triggering in some cases still.

Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for defensive route selection.

Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

Outgoing longwave radiation during the night was reduced in some cases. 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 especially on steep north and east facing slopes below approximately 2200 m, and elsewhere below approximately 2600 m. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.



Danger levels





2 moderate



3 considerable



h 5 very high

region D

Moderate (2+)



Wind slab, Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations

W E 2200m

Danger description

The wind slabs of the last few days are prone to triggering. Avalanches can in some places be released by a single winter sport participant.

Additionally in very isolated cases avalanches can also be triggered in the old snowpack and reach medium size. This applies in particular on very steep north facing slopes above approximately 2400 m in little used backcountry terrain.

Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for defensive route selection.

Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

Outgoing longwave radiation during the night was reduced in some cases. 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 especially on steep north and east facing slopes below approximately 2200 m, and elsewhere below approximately 2600 m. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.

region E

Moderate (2=)



Wind slab, Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations

Danger description

The wind slabs of the last few days are prone to triggering. Avalanches can in some places be released by a single winter sport participant.

Additionally in isolated cases avalanches can also be triggered in the old snowpack and reach medium size. These avalanche prone locations are barely recognisable.

Defensive route selection is advisable.

Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

Outgoing longwave radiation during the night was reduced in some cases. 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 especially on steep north and east facing slopes below approximately 2200 m, and elsewhere below approximately 2600 m. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.



Danger levels



2 moderate

3 considerable



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region F

Moderate (2-)



Wind slab

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The wind slabs of the last few days are in some cases still prone to triggering. Avalanches can in some places be released by people and reach medium size. Careful route selection is recommended.

Moderate (2)

Gliding snow

Outgoing longwave radiation during the night was reduced in some cases. 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 especially on steep north and east facing slopes below approximately 2200 m, and elsewhere below approximately 2600 m. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.

region G

Moderate (2-)



Wind slab

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The wind slabs of the last few days are in some cases still prone to triggering. Avalanches can in some places be released by people and reach medium size. Careful route selection is recommended.

Low (1)

Wet snow, Gliding snow

Outgoing longwave radiation during the night was reduced in some cases. Individual small to medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible. This applies especially on steep north and east facing slopes.

Danger levels



2 moderate



3 considerable



5 very high

region H

Moderate (2)



Gliding snow

Outgoing longwave radiation during the night was reduced in some cases. 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 especially on steep north and east facing slopes below approximately 2200 m, and elsewhere below approximately 2600 m. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.

Low (1)

No distinct avalanche problem

Older wind slabs are in many cases only small but can be released in isolated cases. They are to be evaluated with care and prudence in particular in extremely steep terrain. Even a small avalanche can sweep people along and give rise to falls.

region I

Low (1)



No distinct avalanche problem

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Low (1)

Wet snow, Gliding snow

Outgoing longwave radiation during the night was reduced in some cases. Individual small to medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible. This applies especially on steep north and east facing slopes.

region J

Low (1)



Wet snow, Gliding snow

Outgoing longwave radiation during the night was reduced in some cases. Individual small to medium-sized wet and gliding avalanches are possible. This applies especially on steep north and east facing slopes.

Snowpack and weather

updated on 24.3.2025, 17:00

Snowpack

The weekend's fresh and drifted snow is lying on a sometimes unfavourable old snow surface of faceted, soft layers, especially on north-facing slopes. On south-facing slopes, the connection between the fresh and drifted snow and the old snowpack is more favourable.

In southern Valais, Ticino and Grisons, the old snowpack is faceted and loose. In those regions of Ticino exposed to heavier precipitation, the weakly bonded old snowpack is now deeply covered in many places. Particularly in the Monte Rosa region, on the eastern part of the main Alpine ridge, in the Upper Engadine and in Val Müstair, avalanches have continued to be triggered in the old snowpack in recent days.

The snowpack is water-saturated on southern slopes up into high Alpine regions, as well as on western and eastern slopes below approximately 2000 to 2200 m. On northern slopes moistening is only superficial. In recent days, a number of wet and gliding avalanches, some of the latter large, have been triggered. A combination of sometimes declining outgoing longwave radiation, daytime irradiation and higher temperatures means that gliding and wet avalanches are still possible.

Weather review for Monday

In the north, conditions were mainly sunny with cumulus clouds and isolated showers developing over the course of the day, especially in the Prealps. In the south, cloud cover lingered into the morning breaking up with sunny spells and isolated showers over the course of the day. The snowfall level was around 1500 m.

Fresh snow

Above approximately 1800 m in the west and south, 5 to 10 cm locally

Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, around 0 °C

Wind

Light to moderate from the southeast overnight, mainly light during the day

Weather forecast to Tuesday

In the north, there will be variable cloud cover with showers, especially in the afternoon. The snowfall level will be between 1600 and 1800 m. Conditions will be quite sunny in Valais and mainly sunny in the south.

Fresh snow

A few centimetres locally

Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, around +1 °C

Wind

- Mainly light northeasterly to easterly overnight
- In the afternoon, light to moderate from the north to northeast on Alpine ridges



Outlook

Wednesday

In the north, there will be variable to heavy cloud cover with 5 to 10 cm of snowfall above approximately 1600 m in the northeast. Conditions will be pretty sunny in Valais and the south, with cumulus clouds building over the course of the day. There will be light to moderate winds from the northeast, with a moderate northerly foehn wind on the southern flank of the Alps over the course of the day.

Fresh drifted snow will somewhat increase the risk of dry avalanches in the south. There will be no significant change in the risk of wet and gliding avalanches.

Thursday

Overnight, there will be strong northeasterly winds at high altitudes. During the day, conditions in the mountains will be sunny and slightly milder. Fresh drifted snow will somewhat increase the risk of dry avalanches at high altitudes. Wet and gliding avalanches are to be expected over the course of the day. Touring and variant skiing should be completed in good time.

