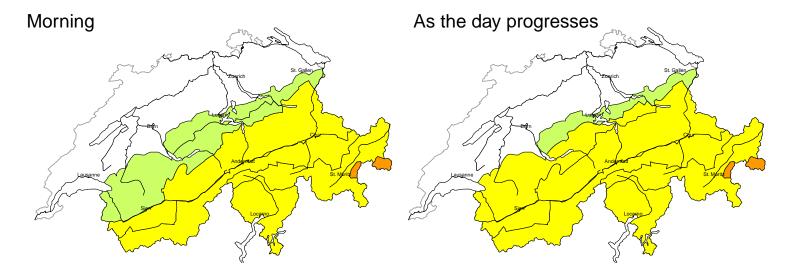
Avalanche danger

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region A

Considerable (3-) Dry avalanches, whole day



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The snowpack will be weakly bonded. In the last few days several avalanches were reported. Avalanches can be triggered in the weakly bonded old snow and reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are difficult to recognise. Whumpfing sounds can indicate the danger. Ski touring calls for defensive route selection.

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

Wet snow, Gliding snow

As the day progresses medium-sized to large wet and gliding avalanches are possible. This applies especially on steep shady slopes below approximately 2200 m, as well as on steep sunny slopes below approximately 2800 m. Backcountry tours and ascents to alpine cabins should be concluded timely.

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Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

3 considerable

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4 high

5 very high

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region B

Moderate (2+) Dry avalanches, whole day



Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

Sunshine and high temperatures will give rise to a loss of strength within the snowpack. Avalanches can be released in the weakly bonded old snow. They can reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are difficult to recognise. Whumpfing sounds can indicate the danger. Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for defensive route selection. As a consequence of northeasterly wind, wind slabs formed in some localities. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence in very steep terrain.

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

Wet snow, Gliding snow

As the day progresses medium-sized to large wet and gliding avalanches are possible. This applies especially on steep shady slopes below approximately 2200 m, as well as on steep sunny slopes below approximately 2800 m. Backcountry tours 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 some places dry avalanches can be released in the old snowpack and reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are barely recognisable. Defensive route selection is recommended.

As a consequence of northeasterly wind, small wind slabs formed in some localities. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence 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 the day progresses medium-sized to large wet and gliding avalanches are possible. This applies especially on steep shady slopes below approximately 2200 m, as well as on steep sunny slopes below approximately 2800 m. Backcountry tours and ascents to alpine cabins should be concluded timely.

Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

3 considerable

4 high

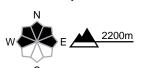
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region D

Moderate (2=) Dry avalanches, whole day

Wind slab, Persistent weak layers

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

In some places dry avalanches can be released in the old snowpack and reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are difficult to recognise. Defensive route selection is recommended.

As a consequence of a moderate northerly wind, clearly visible wind slabs formed. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence in very steep terrain.

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

Wet snow, Gliding snow

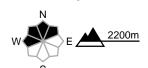
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region E

Moderate (2-) Dry avalanches, whole day

No distinct avalanche problem

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The avalanche conditions in the morning are mostly favourable. Dry avalanches can in very isolated cases be released in near-surface layers. They can reach medium size.

As a consequence of easterly wind, small wind slabs formed at elevated altitudes. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence in extreme 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

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

Wet snow, Gliding snow

As the day progresses medium-sized to large wet and gliding avalanches are possible. This applies especially on steep shady slopes below approximately 2200 m, as well as on steep sunny slopes below approximately 2800 m. Backcountry tours and ascents to alpine cabins should be concluded timely.

Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

3 considerable

4 high

5 very high

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region F

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. As a consequence of bise wind, small wind slabs formed at elevated altitudes. These are to be evaluated with care and prudence 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 the day progresses medium-sized to large wet and gliding avalanches are possible. This applies especially on steep shady slopes below approximately 2200 m, as well as on steep sunny slopes below approximately 2800 m. Backcountry tours and ascents to alpine cabins should be concluded timely.

region G

Low (1)



Gliding snow

In particular on very steep west, north and east facing slopes individual medium-sized gliding avalanches are possible. Caution is to be exercised in areas with glide cracks.



Danger levels

1 low

2 moderate

3

3 considerable

4 high

5 very high

Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

With the moderate northeasterly wind, small snowdrift accumulations have formed in the north, with some larger ones in the south.

The old snowpack is quite favourable in the north, but in southern Valais and Grisons, it is faceted and is prone to triggering in places. In Ticino, the weak layers in the old snowpack are now so heavily covered that only isolated avalanches can be triggered in the old snowpack.

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, it is superficially moistened below approximately 2500 m.

Weather review for Thursday

In Valais, the south and generally in the high Alpine regions conditions were mostly sunny, while elsewhere it was cloudy. In the north-east, a little snow fell above approximately 1600 m.

Fresh snow

Central and eastern part of the northern flank of the Alps and northern Grisons: up to 5 cm

Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between 0 °C in the north and +4 °C in the south

Wind

Often moderate northeasterly

Weather forecast to Friday

After a mostly clear night, Friday will start sunny. Over the course of the day, cumulus clouds will form, especially in the north.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between 0 °C in the north and +4 °C in the south

Wind

- Moderate Bise wind along the Prealps on Thursday evening
- Elsewhere mostly light



Outlook

Saturday

Conditions will be very cloudy with precipitation in the north. The snowfall level will drop rapidly from 1600 to 1200 m. Most of the snowfall will be on the northern flank of the Alps, which will see 20 to 30 cm. There will be sunny intervals in the south. In the afternoon, winds will become increasingly strong from the north at high altitudes and in the south. The risk of dry avalanches will increase, significantly so on the northern flank of the Alps. In the south, there will be a possibility of wet and gliding avalanches as the day progresses.

Sunday

The night to Sunday will be mostly cloudy in the north and a little snow will fall above 1300 m. During the day it will gradually become sunny and warmer again from the west. In Valais and Ticino a mostly clear night will be followed by sunny conditions. Overnight, the northerly to north-easterly winds will be strong to stormy at high altitudes, in the south and over the western Prealps, but the winds will subside over the course of the day.

The risk of dry avalanches will increase slightly in many regions during the night to Sunday with fresh drifting snow. Wet and gliding avalanches are to be expected over the course of the day. Touring skiing should be completed in good time.

