



Danger Level 1 - Low



Tendency: Increasing avalanche danger
on Wednesday 05 01 2022



Wind-drifted
snow



2400m

Low avalanche danger will prevail.

A favourable avalanche situation will prevail. Wind slabs represent the main danger. Avalanche prone locations for dry avalanches are to be found in particular adjacent to ridgelines above approximately 2400 m and in the vicinity of peaks.

Dry avalanches can additionally in very isolated cases be released in deep layers by large loads. This applies in particular on extremely steep shady slopes above approximately 2400 m in areas where the snow cover is rather shallow. The number and size of avalanche prone locations will increase with altitude.

In isolated cases avalanches are medium-sized.

In steep terrain there is a danger of falling on the hard snow surface.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

As a consequence of the occasionally strong westerly wind, fresh snow drift accumulations will form. These are mostly small and in some cases prone to triggering.

The snowpack will be subject to considerable local variations. In very isolated cases weak layers exist in the centre of the old snowpack in particular on shady slopes. This applies in particular above approximately 2400 m. Above the tree line snow depths vary greatly, depending on the influence of the wind. On sunny slopes below approximately 2200 m only a little snow is now lying.

The old snowpack is moist and its surface has a melt-freeze crust. This applies in particular on sunny slopes and at low and intermediate altitudes.

Tendency

Increase in avalanche danger as a consequence of new snow and wind.