





Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Decreasing avalanche danger
on Wednesday 26 01 2022



Wind slabs represent the main danger. Gliding avalanches are possible.

Especially above the tree line sometimes easily released wind slabs formed, but in isolated cases also on wind-loaded slopes below the tree line. Mostly avalanches are medium-sized and can be released easily even by a single winter sport participant. The avalanche prone locations are to be found especially on wind-loaded slopes and in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain.

As a consequence of warming more frequent gliding avalanches and snow slides are to be expected.

As a consequence of solar radiation, the natural activity of small and medium loose snow avalanches will increase, in particular on rocky slopes.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

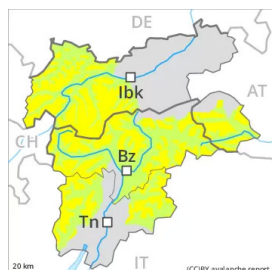
dp.2: gliding snow

The wind slabs of the last few days have settled a little in all aspects. They are lying on soft layers on steep shady slopes, in particular in places that are protected from the wind. At elevated altitudes snow depths vary greatly, depending on the influence of the wind.

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The fresh and older wind slabs can be released by a single winter sport participant in some cases. The avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular on west, north and east facing slopes above approximately 2400 m and in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain. In high Alpine regions these avalanche prone locations are to be found in all aspects. Fresh wind slabs are to be avoided especially in steep terrain.

Mostly small loose snow avalanches are possible especially on very steep shady slopes, this applies even in case of a single winter sport participant.

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

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On Tuesday the wind will be moderate to strong in some cases. The wind will transport the snow. The fresh and older wind slabs are lying on soft layers in particular on shady slopes above the tree line, in particular in places that are protected from the wind. The old snowpack will be subject to considerable local variations.

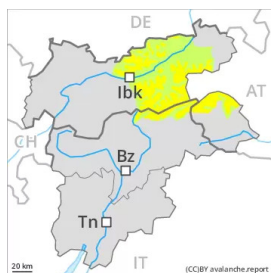
Towards its surface, the snowpack consists of faceted crystals, in particular on shady slopes.

Only a small amount of snow is lying for the time of year.

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