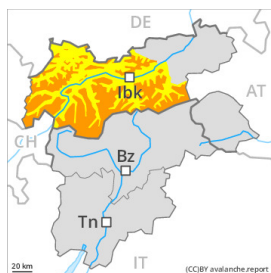


Danger Level 3 - Considerable



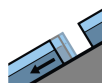
Tendency: Decreasing avalanche danger
 on Thursday 07 12 2023



Persistent weak layer



Snowpack stability: **poor**
 Frequency: **some**
 Avalanche size: **large**



Gliding snow



Snowpack stability: **very poor**
 Frequency: **few**
 Avalanche size: **medium**



Wind slab



Snowpack stability: **poor**
 Frequency: **some**
 Avalanche size: **medium**

Weakly bonded old snow and gliding snow require caution.

Weak layers in the old snowpack can be released in some places at transitions from a shallow to a deep snowpack, when entering gullies and bowls for example. This applies on very steep slopes above approximately 2200 m. Avalanches can reach large size in isolated cases. Meticulous route selection is recommended.

In addition an appreciable danger of gliding avalanches exists. This applies on steep grassy slopes below approximately 2400 m. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided.

The fresh wind slabs are prone to triggering in particular on northwest to north to east facing aspects above approximately 2200 m. Caution is to be exercised in particular adjacent to ridgelines.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.4: cold following warm / warm following cold

dp.2: gliding snow

Faceted weak layers exist in the centre of the snowpack in particular above approximately 2200 m. The fresh wind slabs are lying on soft layers in particular on near-ridge shady slopes at high altitudes and in high Alpine regions.

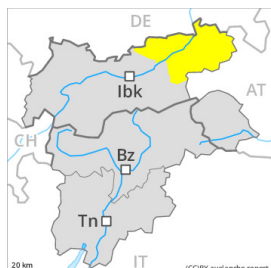
A lot of snow is lying for the time of year.

Tendency

The avalanche danger will decrease gradually.



Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →
on Thursday 07 12 2023



Gliding snow



Snowpack stability: **very poor**

Frequency: **few**

Avalanche size: **medium**



Wind slab



Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**

Wind slabs and gliding snow require caution.

As a consequence of a sometimes strong wind, avalanche prone wind slabs formed in particular above approximately 2200 m. Avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain. Avalanches can reach medium size. Fresh wind slabs are to be avoided.

On steep grassy slopes more medium-sized gliding avalanches are possible. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.2: gliding snow

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

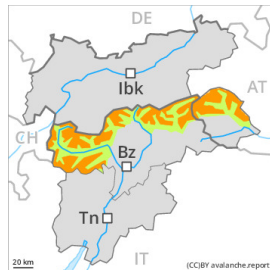
A lot of snow is lying for the time of year.

The fresh wind slabs are lying on soft layers above approximately 2200 m. They are in some cases prone to triggering. The old snowpack is largely stable.

Tendency

The avalanche danger will persist.

Danger Level 3 - Considerable



Tendency: Decreasing avalanche danger
on Thursday 07 12 2023



Persistent weak layer



Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **large**



Wind slab



Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**

Wind slabs and weakly bonded old snow require caution.

Weak layers in the old snowpack can be released in some places by winter sport participants at transitions from a shallow to a deep snowpack, when entering gullies and bowls for example. This applies on very steep slopes above approximately 2200 m. Avalanches can reach large size in isolated cases. Meticulous route selection is recommended.

The fresh wind slabs are prone to triggering in particular on northwest to north to east facing aspects above approximately 2200 m. Caution is to be exercised in particular adjacent to ridgelines.

In addition a latent danger of gliding avalanches exists. This applies on steep grassy slopes below approximately 2400 m. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.4: cold following warm / warm following cold

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

Faceted weak layers exist in the centre of the snowpack in particular above approximately 2200 m. The fresh wind slabs are lying on soft layers in particular on near-ridge shady slopes at high altitudes and in high Alpine regions.

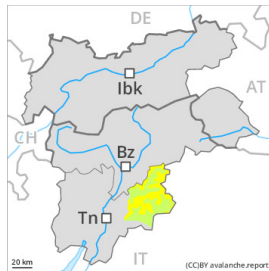
The new snow is lying on a crust below approximately 2600 m. Towards its base, the snowpack is moist, in particular below approximately 2500 m.

Tendency

The avalanche danger will decrease gradually.



Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →

on Thursday 07 12 2023



Wind slab



Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**

Wind slabs require caution. At elevated altitudes a precarious avalanche situation will be encountered in some regions.

In the last few days wind slabs formed in all aspects. These must be evaluated with care and prudence in all aspects above approximately 2200 m. Caution is to be exercised in particular adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls. Even single backcountry tourers can release avalanches in some places, including medium-sized ones.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

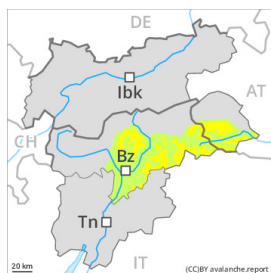
Snow depths vary greatly above the tree line, depending on the influence of the wind. The weather conditions fostered a weakening of the snowpack in particular on very steep slopes. The fresh and older wind slabs are lying on the unfavourable surface of an old snowpack in all aspects at high altitude. Whumpfung sounds and the formation of shooting cracks when stepping on the snowpack confirm the unfavourable bonding of the snowpack.

Tendency

New snow and wind slabs require caution.



Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →
on Thursday 07 12 2023



Wind slab



Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**

Fresh wind slabs are to be evaluated with care and prudence.

Fresh and somewhat older wind slabs remain prone to triggering above approximately 2200 m. Avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain. The prevalence of avalanche prone locations and likelihood of triggering will increase with altitude.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

The fresh wind slabs are lying on soft layers above approximately 2200 m. The old snowpack is largely stable. The new snow is lying on a crust below approximately 2600 m.

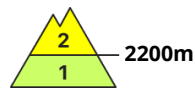
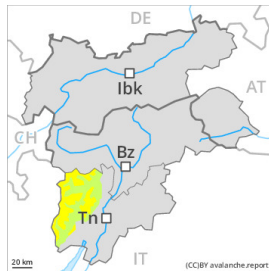
Towards its base, the snowpack is moist, in particular at low and intermediate altitudes. From a snow sport perspective, in most cases insufficient snow is lying.

Tendency

Wind slabs require caution.



Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →

on Thursday 07 12 2023



Wind slab



Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**

Wind slabs require caution. At elevated altitudes a sometimes precarious avalanche situation will be encountered in some regions.

In the last few days wind slabs formed in all aspects. They must be evaluated with care and prudence in all aspects above approximately 2200 m. Caution is to be exercised in particular adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls. Even single backcountry tourers can release avalanches in some places, including medium-sized ones.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

Snow depths vary greatly above the tree line, depending on the influence of the wind. The weather conditions fostered a weakening of the snowpack in particular on very steep slopes. The fresh and older wind slabs are lying on the unfavourable surface of an old snowpack in all aspects at high altitude. Whumpfung sounds and the formation of shooting cracks when stepping on the snowpack confirm the unfavourable bonding of the snowpack.

Tendency

New snow and wind slabs require caution.



Danger Level 1 - Low



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →
on Thursday 07 12 2023



Wind slab



Snowpack stability: **fair**

Frequency: **few**

Avalanche size: **small**

In all aspects in all altitude zones from a snow sport perspective, in most cases insufficient snow is lying.

Individual avalanche prone locations are to be found in steep terrain in high Alpine regions and in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain above approximately 2000 m. Avalanches can in some places be released by small loads, but they will be small in most cases.

Snowpack

In all regions in all altitude zones a little snow is lying. In some places there are 10 to 20 cm of snow, and even more in some localities.

Tendency

Low avalanche danger will prevail.