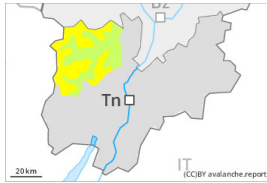




Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Decreasing avalanche danger
on Thursday 28 12 2023



Wind slab



Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **few**

Avalanche size: **medium**

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

The older wind slabs can still be released in some cases especially on very steep shady slopes above approximately 2400 m. Individual avalanche prone locations for dry avalanches are to be found adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls above approximately 2400 m. This applies in particular on steep shady slopes. Avalanches can reach medium size in isolated cases.

As a consequence of warming, the likelihood of moist loose snow avalanches being released will increase in particular on steep sunny slopes.

Snowpack

The fresh and somewhat older wind slabs are lying on soft layers in particular on near-ridge shady slopes at high altitudes and in high Alpine regions. The wind slabs are clearly recognisable. Snow depths vary greatly, depending on the influence of the wind. Towards its base, the snowpack is faceted.

Low and intermediate altitudes: The snowpack is wet.

Tendency

The meteorological conditions will facilitate a gradual change towards better conditions.



Danger Level 1 - Low



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →

on Thursday 28 12 2023

The avalanche conditions are generally favourable. Old wind slabs require caution.

The wind slabs are mostly easy to recognise but can be released in isolated cases. Individual avalanche prone locations for dry avalanches are to be found adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls above approximately 2400 m. This applies in particular on steep shady slopes. As a consequence of warming, the likelihood of moist loose snow avalanches being released will increase in particular on steep sunny slopes. Mostly avalanches are small.

Snowpack

The snowpack will be quite stable. Snow depths vary greatly above the tree line, depending on the influence of the wind. Towards its base, the snowpack is faceted. The surface of the snowpack will soften during the day. Sunshine and high temperatures will give rise as the day progresses to moistening of the snowpack in particular on steep sunny slopes. In particular at low and intermediate altitudes a little snow is lying.

Tendency

The avalanche danger will persist.