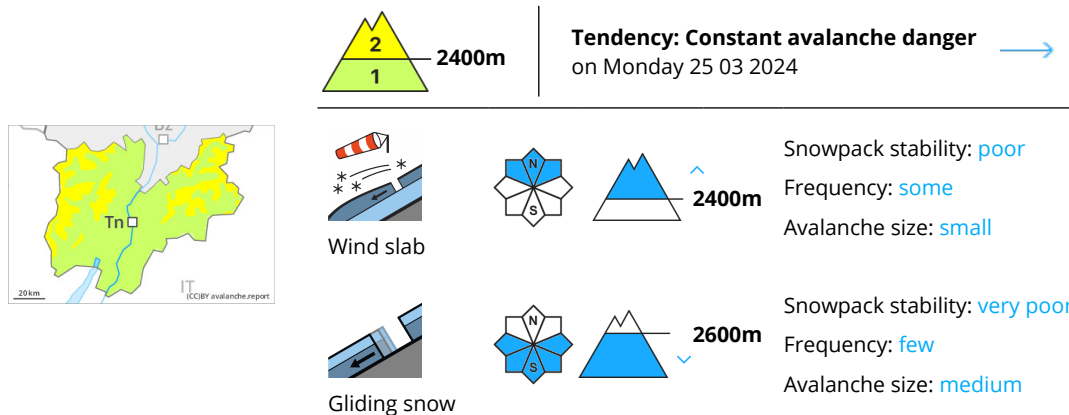


Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Fresh wind slabs require caution. Gliding avalanches and loose snow avalanches require caution.

As a consequence of new snow and a strong wind from westerly directions, avalanche prone wind slabs will form in some places. Caution is to be exercised in particular on very steep shady slopes above approximately 2400 m, as well as adjacent to ridgelines in all aspects in high Alpine regions. Mostly avalanches are only small but can be released even by a single winter sport participant.

A latent danger of gliding avalanches exists. This applies on steep grassy slopes below approximately 2600 m. Avalanches can reach medium size. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided.

In addition as the day progresses an increasing number of loose snow avalanches are to be expected. In the event of prolonged bright spells this applies on extremely steep slopes.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

dp.2: gliding snow

Saturday: Especially in the east 5 to 15 cm of snow, and even more in some localities, has fallen above approximately 1500 m. The wind will be strong in some cases.

The fresh wind slabs are lying on soft layers at elevated altitudes.

The solar radiation will give rise to moistening of the snowpack especially on steep sunny slopes. The old snowpack will be moist below approximately 2400 m.

Tendency

The fresh wind slabs remain prone to triggering on shady slopes above approximately 2400 m. More moist loose snow avalanches are possible.