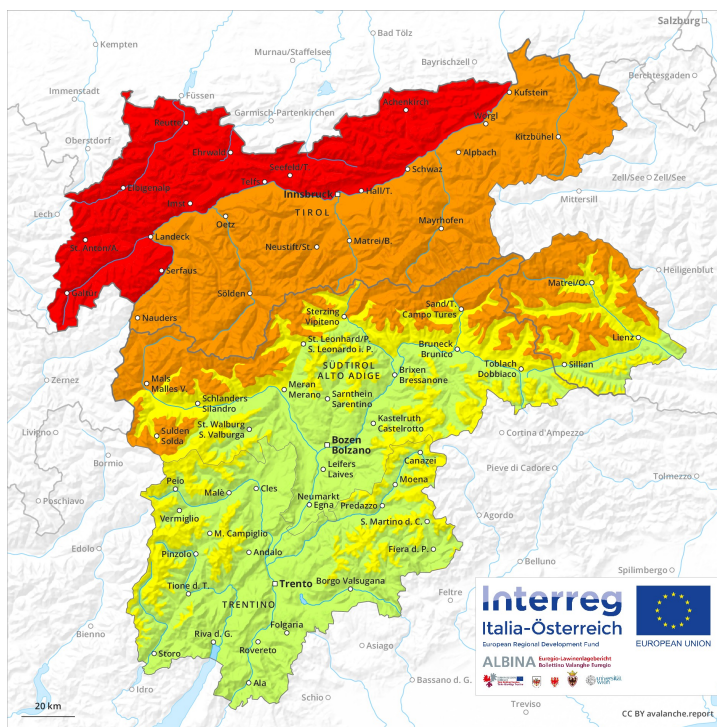
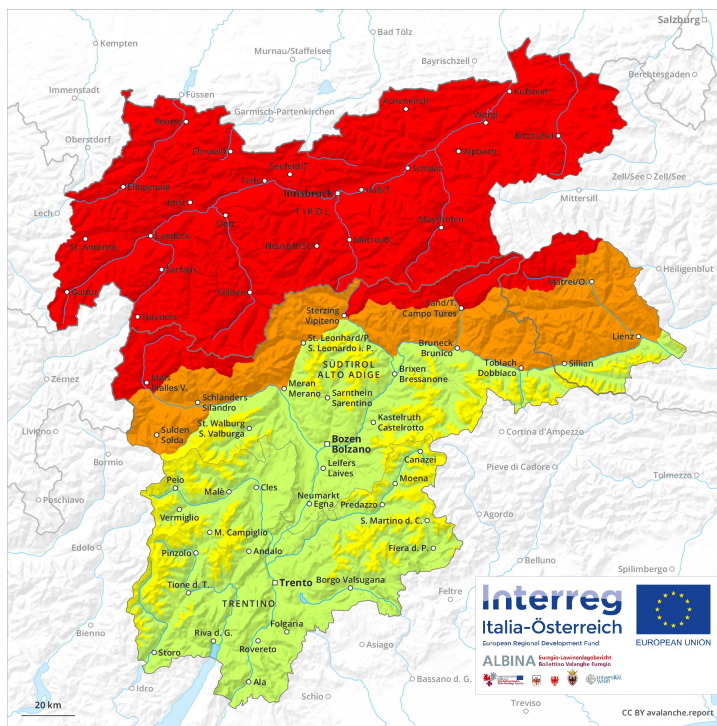




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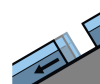


Danger Level 4 - High

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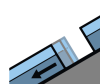
Tendency: **Increasing avalanche danger**
 on Monday 14 01 2019



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Tendency: **Increasing avalanche danger**
 on Monday 14 01 2019



Natural avalanches are likely to occur. High, level 4.

Late morning: In all regions numerous medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large avalanches are possible as a consequence of fresh snow and strong wind. On steep grassy slopes more frequent medium-sized to large gliding avalanches are to be expected below approximately 2400 m. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided. The fresh wind slabs of Saturday can be released very easily in all aspects. The avalanche prone locations are widespread and are barely recognisable because of the poor visibility. As the snowfall becomes more intense the prevalence and size of the avalanche prone locations will increase as the day progresses. The conditions are very dangerous for winter sport activities outside marked and open pistes.

Afternoon: Further increase in danger as a consequence of warming during the day. In all regions many large and, in isolated cases, very large avalanches are possible as a consequence of fresh snow and strong wind. As a consequence of the rain more frequent gliding avalanches and wet snow slides are to be expected. This applies in all aspects. The near-surface layers of the snowpack can be released very easily in all aspects. Precautionary closures of transportation routes may be necessary.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp 6: cold, loose snow and wind

dp 2: gliding snow

Over a wide area 50 to 70 cm of snow, and even more in some localities, will fall. The wind will be strong to storm force. Weak layers in the upper part of the snowpack represent the main danger. The fresh wind slabs are lying on soft layers in all aspects. This applies in all altitude zones. Faceted weak layers exist in the top section of the snowpack between approximately 1600 and 2100 m. As the precipitation becomes more intense the prevalence and size of the avalanche prone locations will increase. As a consequence of the rain the avalanche prone locations will become more prevalent. This applies at low altitude.

Tendency

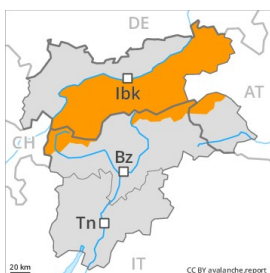


Further increase in danger as a consequence of fresh snow and stormy weather.



Danger Level 4 - High

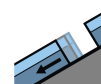
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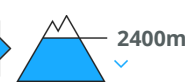
Tendency: Increasing avalanche danger
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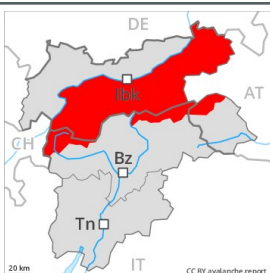
Wind-drifted
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Gliding snow



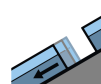
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Tendency: Increasing avalanche danger
 on Monday 14 01 2019



New snow



Gliding snow



Significant increase in avalanche danger as a consequence of fresh snow and strong wind.

Late morning: The fresh wind slabs of Saturday can be released very easily in all aspects. The avalanche prone locations are widespread and are barely recognisable because of the poor visibility. As the snowfall becomes more intense the prevalence and size of the avalanche prone locations will increase as the day progresses. Mostly dry avalanches are medium-sized. Below approximately 2400 m medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large gliding avalanches are to be expected. This applies on steep grassy slopes. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided. The conditions are dangerous for winter sport activities outside marked and open pistes. Afternoon: In all regions numerous medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large avalanches are possible as a consequence of fresh snow and strong wind. As a consequence of the rain more frequent gliding avalanches and wet snow slides are to be expected. This applies in all aspects. The near-surface layers of the snowpack can be released very easily in all aspects. Evening and night: In all regions many large and, in isolated cases, very large avalanches are possible as a consequence of fresh snow and strong wind. Precautionary closures of transportation routes may be necessary.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp 6: cold, loose snow and wind

dp 2: gliding snow

Over a wide area 30 to 50 cm of snow will fall. The wind will be strong to storm force. Weak layers in the upper part of the snowpack represent the main danger. The fresh wind slabs are lying on soft layers in all aspects. This applies in all altitude zones. Faceted weak layers exist in the top section of the snowpack between approximately 1600 and 2100 m. As a consequence of the rain the avalanche prone locations will become more prevalent. This applies at low altitude. As the precipitation becomes more intense the prevalence and size of the avalanche prone locations will increase.



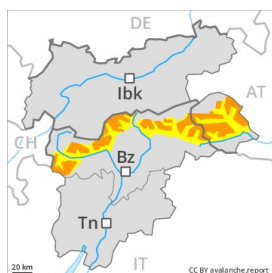
Tendency

Further increase in danger as a consequence of fresh snow and stormy weather.



Danger Level 3 - Considerable

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Tendency: Increasing avalanche danger
 on Monday 14 01 2019



Wind-drifted
 snow



Treeline

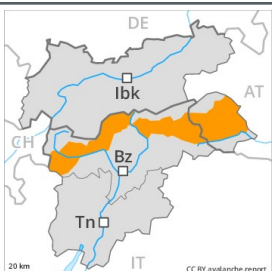


Persistent
 weak layer



Treeline

PM:



Tendency: Increasing avalanche danger
 on Monday 14 01 2019



Wind slabs and weakly bonded old snow require caution.

As a consequence of fresh snow and strong wind the wind slabs will increase in size substantially as the day progresses. These can in many cases be released by small loads. Especially on wind-loaded slopes medium-sized natural avalanches must be expected more frequently. The avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular on steep slopes above the tree line. In particular in regions neighbouring those that are subject to danger level 4 (high) avalanche prone locations are more prevalent and the danger is greater. They are barely recognisable because of the poor visibility. Additionally avalanches can be released in the old snowpack and reach large size in isolated cases. In particular transitions from a shallow to a deep snowpack are unfavourable. The conditions are critical for backcountry touring and other off-piste activities.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp 6: cold, loose snow and wind

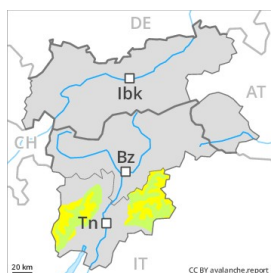
dp 4: cold following warm / warm following cold

20 to 40 cm of snow. will fall. The sometimes strong wind will transport the fresh snow significantly. Over a wide area fresh snow and wind slabs are lying on soft layers. Isolated avalanche prone weak layers exist in the old snowpack. The snowpack will be generally prone to triggering.

Tendency

Further increase in avalanche danger as a consequence of fresh snow and strong wind. Fresh wind slabs represent the main danger.

Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →

on Monday 14 01 2019



Wind-drifted
snow



Persistent
weak layer



The wind slabs represent the main danger.

As a consequence of northerly wind, mostly small wind slabs formed in particular adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls as well as above approximately 2300 m. They are in many cases small and can only be released by large loads in most cases. At high altitudes and in high Alpine regions avalanche prone locations are more prevalent and the danger is greater. These avalanche prone locations are clearly recognisable to the trained eye. Apart from the danger of being buried, restraint should be exercised as well in view of the danger of avalanches sweeping people along and giving rise to falls.

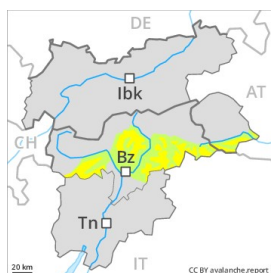
Snowpack

In steep terrain there is a danger of falling on the hard crust. Below approximately 2300 m a little snow is lying. The snowpack will be subject to considerable local variations above approximately 2500 m. The mostly small wind slabs must be evaluated with care and prudence in all aspects above approximately 2500 m. Isolated avalanche prone weak layers exist in the snowpack in particular on shady slopes.

Tendency

The avalanche danger will persist.

Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Increasing avalanche danger
on Monday 14 01 2019



Wind-drifted
snow



Treeline

Fresh wind slabs require caution.

Especially in the north the wind slabs will increase in size additionally as the day progresses. These can be released by small loads and reach medium size. The avalanche prone locations are to be found in gullies and bowls above approximately 2000 m, and adjacent to ridgelines in all aspects. The prevalence of avalanche prone locations and likelihood of triggering will increase at high altitude and in the high Alpine regions. Individual natural avalanches are possible. In regions neighbouring those that are subject to danger level 3 (considerable) avalanche prone locations are more prevalent and the danger is greater. In places where more than 20 cm of snow falls the avalanche danger is greater.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

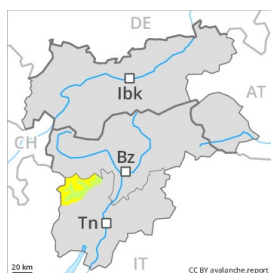
dp 6: cold, loose snow and wind

In particular in the north 10 to 20 cm of snow will fall. The sometimes storm force wind will transport the fresh snow significantly. In some cases the wind slabs have bonded poorly with the old snowpack. The snowpack will be subject to considerable local variations.

Tendency

Further increase in avalanche danger as a consequence of fresh snow and strong wind.

Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →

on Monday 14 01 2019



Wind-drifted
snow



Fresh wind slabs require caution.

The wind slabs of the last few days can be released even by a single winter sport participant in all aspects above approximately 2200 m. The avalanche prone locations are to be found in gullies and bowls above approximately 2200 m, and adjacent to ridgelines in all aspects. In these regions the avalanches are mostly medium-sized. In regions neighbouring those that are subject to danger level 3 (considerable) avalanche prone locations are more prevalent and the danger is greater.

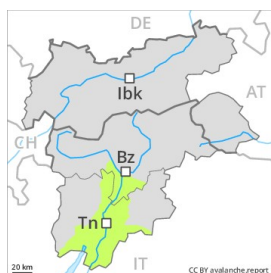
Snowpack

The sometimes storm force wind will transport the fresh snow significantly. In some cases the wind slabs have bonded poorly with the old snowpack. The snowpack will be subject to considerable local variations. In steep terrain there is a danger of falling on the hard snow surface.

Tendency

Moderate, level 2.

Danger Level 1 - Low



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →
on Monday 14 01 2019



Wind-drifted
snow



The wind slabs represent the main danger.

The wind slabs are to be found especially adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls and generally at high altitudes. These avalanche prone locations are rather rare and are easy to recognise. Mostly the avalanches are small and can be released in isolated cases by a single winter sport participant. Apart from the danger of being buried, restraint should be exercised as well in view of the danger of avalanches sweeping people along and giving rise to falls.

Snowpack

The sometimes strong wind will transport the snow. The snowpack will be subject to considerable local variations above approximately 2300 m. In some places wind slabs are lying on a weakly bonded old snowpack. Below approximately 2300 m from a snow sport perspective, in most cases insufficient snow is lying.

Tendency

Low, level 1.