

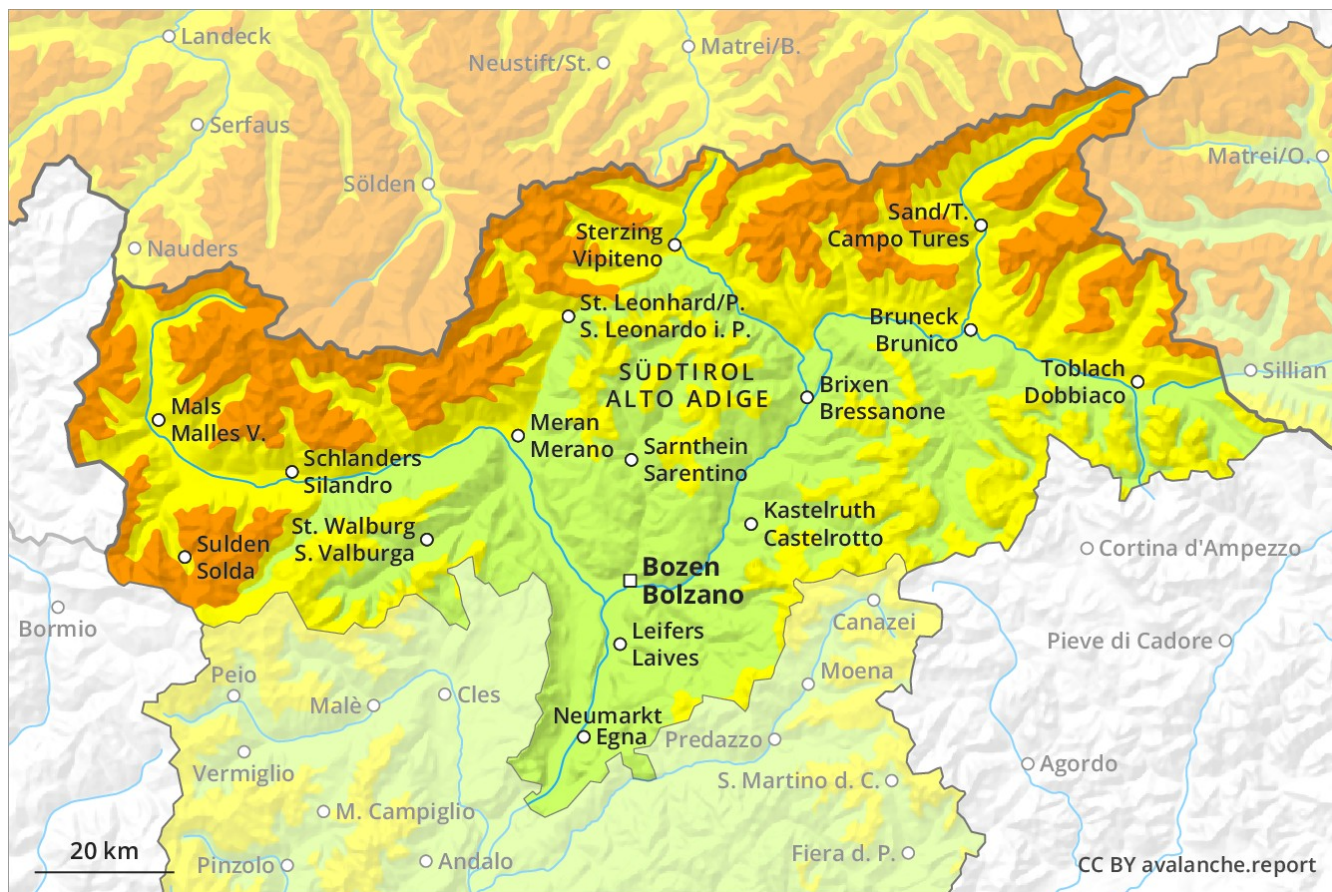
Avalanche Forecast

Friday 18 01 2019

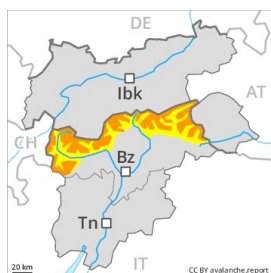
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Danger Level 3 - Considerable



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →
on Saturday 19 01 2019



Wind-drifted
snow



Persistent
weak layer



For those venturing off piste a dangerous avalanche situation will be encountered over a wide area.

The extensive wind slabs of last week are lying on weak layers. The deep wind slabs can be released easily especially on northwest to north to southeast facing aspects. Caution is to be exercised at their margins in particular. Whumpfung sounds and the formation of shooting cracks when stepping on the snowpack serve as an alarm sign. From origins in starting zones where no previous releases have taken place individual natural avalanches are possible, even large ones in isolated cases. On steep grassy slopes individual small and medium-sized gliding avalanches are possible below approximately 2400 m.

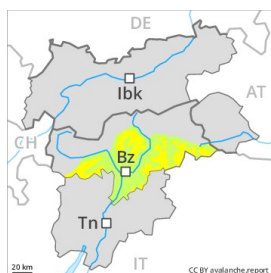
Snowpack

The mostly small wind slabs of Thursday are clearly recognisable to the trained eye. The somewhat older wind slabs are lying on soft layers in all aspects at intermediate and high altitudes. Avalanche prone weak layers exist in the bottom section of the old snowpack. The wind slabs have bonded quite well already together. In some cases avalanches can penetrate even deep layers and reach large size in isolated cases.

Tendency

The weather will be partly cloudy.

Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →

on Saturday 19 01 2019



Wind-drifted
snow



Fresh wind slabs require caution.

In particular adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls as well as in high Alpine regions mostly small wind slabs formed. These can be released by small loads. The prevalence of avalanche prone locations and likelihood of triggering will increase at high altitude and in the high Alpine regions.

Snowpack

In some cases the wind slabs have bonded poorly with the old snowpack. They are barely recognisable because of the poor visibility. The snowpack will be subject to considerable local variations.

Tendency

Moderate, level 2.