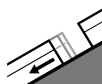




Danger Level 3 - Considerable



Tendency: Decreasing avalanche danger
on Monday 23 12 2019



Gliding snow



2400m



Wind-drifted
snow



Treeline

The backcountry touring conditions remain critical.

Ski touring and other off-piste activities, including snowshoe hiking, call for extensive experience in the assessment of avalanche danger and careful route selection. Great caution and restraint are advisable. Single winter sport participants can release avalanches very easily. As a consequence of the ceasing of precipitation only isolated dry slab avalanches are possible, in the regions exposed to heavier precipitation in particular on wind-loaded slopes and. Especially below approximately 2200 m small and medium-sized gliding avalanches are possible.

Snowpack

20 to 40 cm of snow, and up to 60 cm in some localities, has fallen in the last two days above approximately 1800 m. The southwesterly wind has transported the fresh snow significantly. Fresh wind slabs have formed in particular in the regions exposed to precipitation and generally at high altitudes. In some cases the wind slabs have bonded still only poorly with the old snowpack. Fresh wind slabs are extensive and prone to triggering. Faceted weak layers exist in the old snowpack in particular adjacent to ridgelines. The old snowpack will be moist below approximately 2200 m.

Tendency

There is a danger of gliding avalanches, in particular in the regions with a lot of snow in particular below approximately 2200 m. The northwesterly wind will transport the fresh snow. Wind slabs represent the main danger.