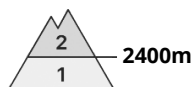




Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →

on Thursday 09 01 2020



Wind-drifted
snow



The backcountry touring conditions are generally favourable.

The somewhat older wind slabs must be evaluated with care and prudence in particular on very steep northwest, north and northeast facing slopes above approximately 2400 m. Single backcountry tourers can release avalanches in some places. Mostly they are rather small. The wind slabs are clearly recognisable to the trained eye. Avalanches can be released in the old snowpack and reach quite a large size, in particular on very steep shady slopes as well as adjacent to ridgelines. Transitions from a shallow to a deep snowpack are unfavourable. A latent danger of gliding avalanches exists. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided.

Snowpack

The snowpack will be subject to considerable local variations. In some cases the wind slabs have bonded still only poorly with each other and the old snowpack. In some places wind slabs are lying on old snow containing large grains, in particular on shady slopes as well as adjacent to ridgelines.

Tendency

The avalanche danger will persist.