

Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for caution and restraint. Wind slabs and weakly bonded old snow require caution.

The fresh and somewhat older wind slabs can be released by a single winter sport participant in particular on west to north to east facing aspects, in particular above the tree line. Slopes adjacent to ridgelines are especially unfavourable. Mostly avalanches are medium-sized.

Additionally avalanches can also be released in deep layers. Such avalanche prone locations are to be found on steep, little used shady slopes above approximately 2200 m and on steep sunny slopes above approximately 2500 m. Especially transitions from a shallow to a deep snowpack are unfavourable.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

(dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind) (d

dp.1: deep persistent weak layer

The sometimes large wind slabs of the last few days are poorly bonded with the old snowpack. Faceted weak layers exist in the old snowpack, especially on shady slopes above approximately 2200 m, as well as on sunny slopes above approximately 2500 m.

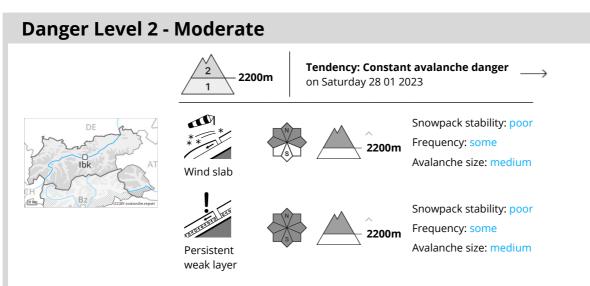
The snowpack remains quite prone to triggering. Whumpfing sounds and the formation of shooting cracks when stepping on the snowpack are a clear indication.

Tendency

Wind slabs and weakly bonded old snow are to be assessed with care and prudence.







Wind slabs and weakly bonded old snow represent the main danger.

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Additionally avalanches can also be released in deep layers. Such avalanche prone locations are to be found on steep, little used shady slopes above approximately 2200 m and on steep sunny slopes above approximately 2500 m. Especially transitions from a shallow to a deep snowpack are unfavourable. Backcountry touring and other off-piste activities call for a certain restraint.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

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Fresh wind slabs are lying on weak layers in all aspects above the tree line. The more recent wind slabs will be deposited on surface hoar in some places, in particular on the Main Alpine Ridge and to the north. Faceted weak layers exist in the old snowpack, especially on shady slopes above approximately 2200 m, as well as on sunny slopes above approximately 2500 m.

The snowpack remains in some cases prone to triggering.

Tendency

The fresh and older wind slabs are bonding only slowly with the old snowpack.

