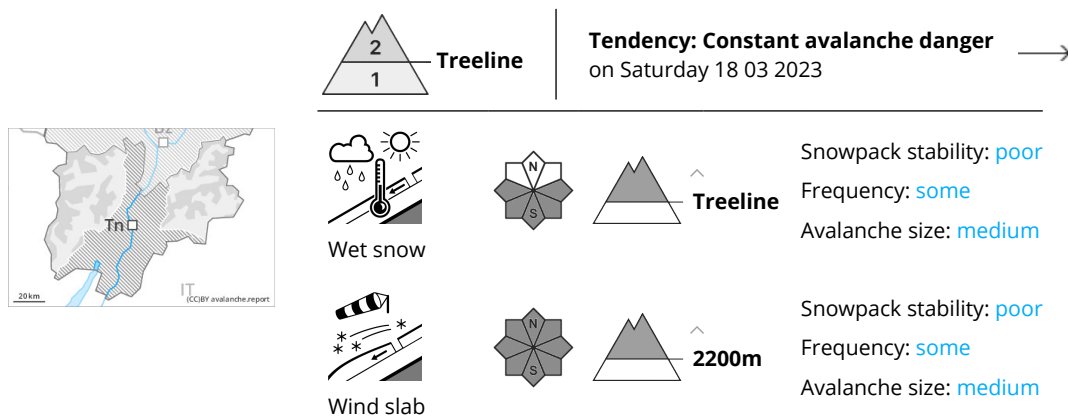


Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Wind slabs and wet snow require caution.

As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation small and, in isolated cases, medium-sized moist and wet avalanches are to be expected. This applies in particular on sunny slopes, as well as on shady slopes below approximately 2400 m.

As a consequence of a strong wind from northwesterly directions, sometimes avalanche prone wind slabs formed on Wednesday in particular adjacent to ridgelines. More recent wind slabs can be released by a single winter sport participant in some cases in all aspects. At elevated altitudes the avalanche prone locations are more prevalent.

Avalanches can be released in the old snowpack, even by small loads in isolated cases. This applies in particular on very steep shady slopes. Caution is to be exercised at transitions from a shallow to a deep snowpack.

Backcountry tours and off-piste skiing should be concluded timely.

Snowpack

Sunshine and high temperatures will give rise as the day progresses to gradual moistening of the snowpack in particular on sunny slopes. These conditions will bring about a weakening of the snowpack.

In some cases the wind slabs have bonded still only poorly with the old snowpack. In some places wind slabs are lying on a hard crust.

Individual weak layers exist in the old snowpack in particular on shady slopes. This applies above approximately 2200 m.

Tendency

On Saturday it will be mild. Gradual increase in danger of moist and wet avalanches from the middle of the day.

Danger Level 1 - Low



Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →
on Saturday 18 03 2023

Wind slabs are to be evaluated with care and prudence. As the day progresses as a consequence of warming there will be a gradual increase in the danger of moist and wet avalanches.

The wind slabs of the last few days can be released by a single winter sport participant in particular on steep shady slopes at elevated altitudes. More recent wind slabs are to be avoided in particular in terrain where there is a danger of falling, also adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls.

In particular on sunny slopes and on southwest, south and southeast facing slopes mostly small moist and wet avalanches are possible.

Snowpack

The mostly small wind slabs of the last few days are in individual cases still prone to triggering. Above approximately 2000 m snow depths vary greatly, depending on the influence of the wind. In all regions below approximately 2000 m a little snow is lying on south facing slopes.

Sunshine and high temperatures will give rise as the day progresses to increasing moistening of the snowpack.

Tendency

On Saturday it will be mild. Gradual increase in danger of moist and wet avalanches from the middle of the day.