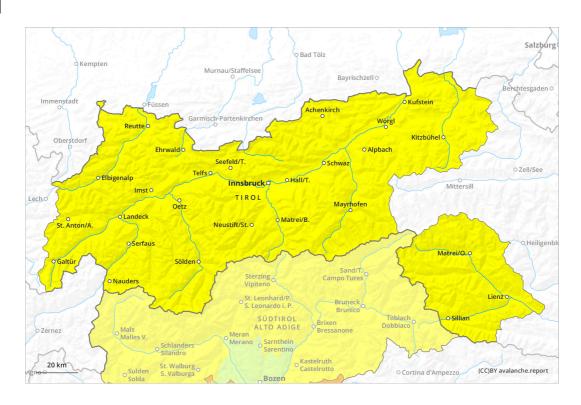
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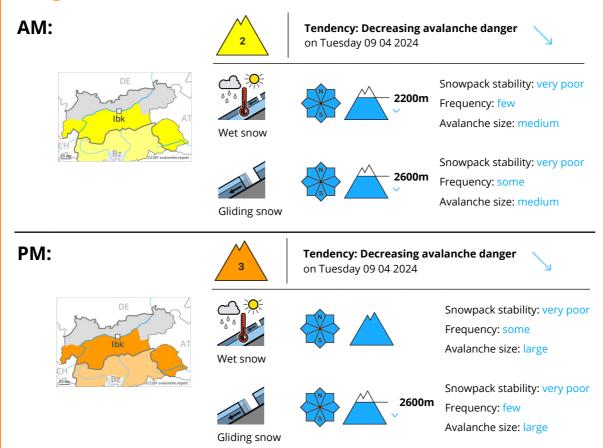
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Danger Level 3 - Considerable



The weather will be exceptionally warm. The danger of wet avalanches will increase quickly during the day.

As a consequence of warming and solar radiation, the natural activity of wet avalanches will rapidly increase. This applies on steep east and west facing slopes below approximately 2800 m, as well as on steep south facing slopes in all altitude zones, this also applies on shady slopes below approximately 2600 m. In some cases the wet avalanches can release the saturated snowpack and reach large size. In steep gullies avalanches can in some cases reach areas without any snow cover.

On steep grassy slopes more frequent medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large gliding avalanches are possible below approximately 2600 m. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided.

Backcountry tours and ascents to alpine cabins should be started early and concluded timely.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.10: springtime scenario

(dp.2: gliding snow)

Over a wide area a clear night. The wind will be moderate to strong in particular on the Main Alpine Ridge and to the north. The weather will be exceptionally warm. The surface of the snowpack has frozen to form

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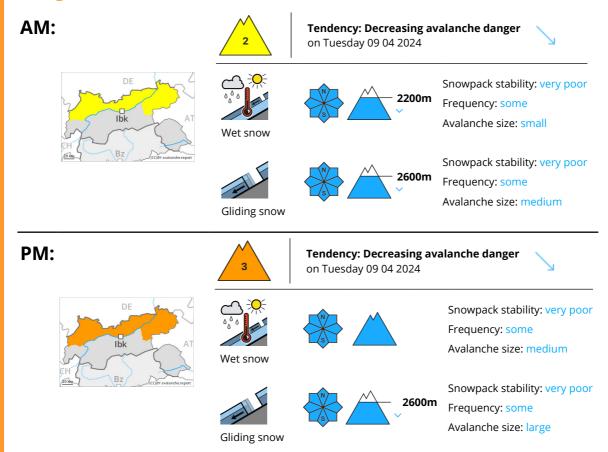
a strong crust only at high altitudes and will soften quickly. Sunshine and high temperatures will give rise from late morning to extreme and thorough wetting of the snowpack especially on very steep slopes. These conditions will cause a rapid weakening of the snowpack. In areas with a thinner snowpack the saturation and consequently the loss of strength happens more rapidly. Hardly any snow is lying at low and intermediate altitudes.

Tendency

Some snow will fall. The danger of wet avalanches will decrease.



Danger Level 3 - Considerable



The danger of wet avalanches will increase during the day.

As a consequence of warming and solar radiation, the natural activity of wet avalanches will rapidly increase. This applies on steep east, south and west facing slopes, this also applies on shady slopes below approximately 2400 m. The wet avalanches can release the saturated snowpack and reach medium size.

On steep grassy slopes more frequent medium-sized and, in isolated cases, large gliding avalanches are possible below approximately 2600 m. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided. In steep gullies wet avalanches can in isolated cases reach areas without any snow cover.

Backcountry tours and ascents to alpine cabins should be started and concluded very early.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.10: springtime scenario

dp.2: gliding snow

The weather will be exceptionally warm. The wind will be moderate to strong adjacent to ridgelines especially in the regions exposed to the foehn wind. The surface of the snowpack will freeze to form a strong crust only at high altitudes and will already soften in the late morning. Sunshine and high temperatures will give rise from late morning to extreme and thorough wetting of the snowpack especially



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on very steep slopes. These conditions will cause a rapid weakening of the snowpack. In areas with a thinner snowpack the saturation and consequently the loss of strength happens more rapidly. Hardly any snow is lying at low and intermediate altitudes.

Tendency

Some snow will fall. As the temperature drops there will be a gradual decrease in the danger of wet avalanches.