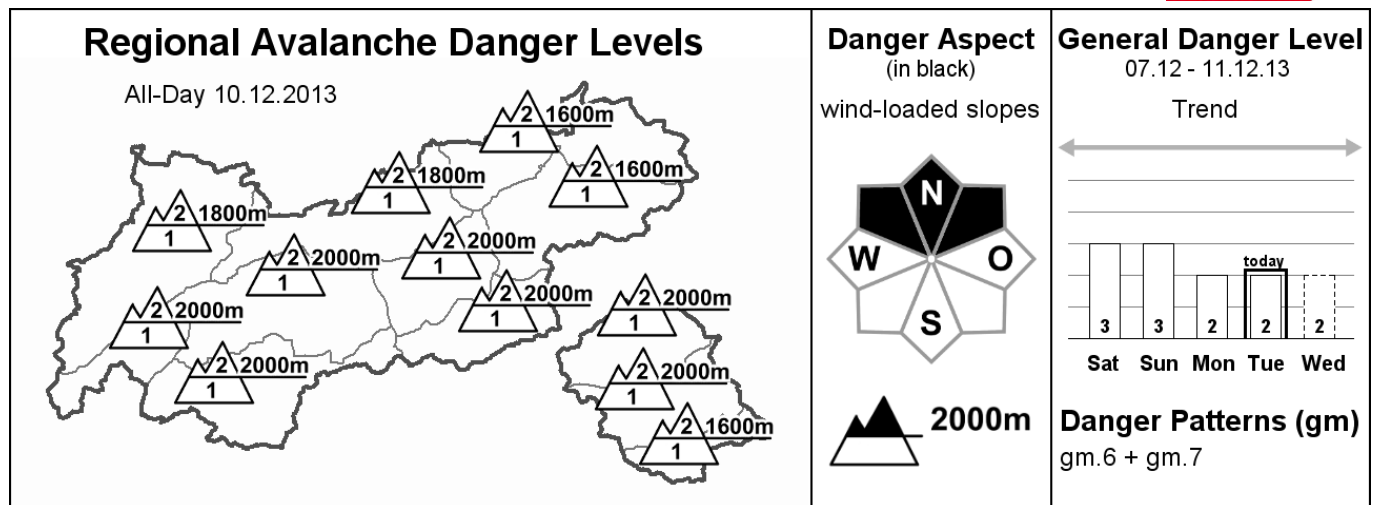


Avalanche Bulletin

of the Avalanche Warning Service Tyrol

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Generally favourable conditions amidst moderate avalanche danger

AVALANCHE DANGER

The avalanche situation in Tirol's backcountry touring regions is generally favourable. The major peril still lies in the snowdrift accumulations from last weekend which particularly through large additional loading can be triggered as avalanches, in other words from a group of skiers or freeriders without distances maintained between them. Avalanche prone locations are to be found in drifted gullies and bowls, and most of all in transition areas from deep to shallow snow. Many danger spots have now been blanketed with new fallen snow, making them difficult to recognize in open terrain.

SNOW LAYERING

Fresh fallen and drifted snows from last weekend are gradually settling and consolidating through the influence of the persistent mild temperatures. In addition, the snowdrift accumulations are no longer as brittle. Snow depths are below average, the snow distribution highly varied due to the impact of winds: utterly bare, windblown spots or hard compacted snow surfaces are often immediately adjacent to deeply drifted gullies or bowls.

ALPINE WEATHER FORECAST (ZAMG-WEATHER SERVICE INNSBRUCK)

Weather in general: Once last disturbances are dispelled from the Lower Inn Valley and East Tirol, the Alps will enjoy the effects of a powerful high pressure zone with its center over Central Europe for a few days. Mountain weather today: From the Northern Alps and Rofan eastwards over the Kitzbühel Alps as far as the peaks of East Tirol, cloudy to begin with, but quickly dispersing this morning and bringing about much improved visibility. In the western part of North Tirol and in South Tirol, unimpaired sunny weather will prevail from the early morning hours. Temperature at 2000m: zero to +4 degrees; at 3000m: -4 to zero degrees. Light northwesterly winds at high altitudes.

SHORT TERM DEVELOPMENT

Slowly receding avalanche danger

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