



DANGER PATTERNS (DP): [dp.1 - deep persistent weak layer](#); [dp.7 - snow-poor zones in snow-rich surrounding](#); [dp.2 - sliding snow](#)

Moderate avalanche danger far and wide

AVALANCHE DANGER

The danger of avalanches in Tirol's backcountry touring regions is moderate widespread, stemming mainly from freshly formed and older snowdrift accumulations which are usually small sized but can in isolated cases be easily released. Avalanche prone locations are found on steep slopes and ridgeline areas above approximately 2000m, mainly in west to north to east facing aspects. Below about 2400m, isolated naturally triggered, superficial wet sluffs and full depth snowslides are possible.

SNOW LAYERING

Snow depths in East Tirol are above average, along the Main Alpine Ridge approximately corresponding to long-term averages, and in remaining North Tirol below average. Up to approximately 2000m altitude the snowpack has settled and consolidated well, due to mild temperatures. In high alpine regions the old snowpack is often faceted and weakly bonded. However, large interconnected weak layers are seldom in evidence.

ALPINE WEATHER FORECAST (ZAMG-WEATHER SERVICE INNSBRUCK)

Weather in general: The Alps lie in the path of a mild westerly air current which is bringing slightly moister air masses filled with cloud to Tirol today. On Saturday night a weak disturbance will touch the rim of the Alps before an intermediate high makes itself felt anew. Mountain weather today: often diffuse light, otherwise good weather, only a bit of sunshine between the cloud cover. Zero-degree level at 2400m. Temperature at 2000m, +3 degrees, at 3000m, -4 degrees. Moderate to strong westerly winds at high altitude.

SHORT TERM DEVELOPMENT

Moderate danger widespread will continue.

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