



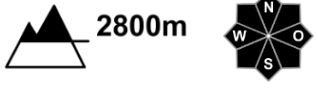






Regional Avalanche Danger Levels in alpine areas from 19.04.2015 07:30 All-Day	WHAT? problem	WHERE? danger spots
	 wet snow	 3000m daytime increase
	 drifting snow	 2800m freshly formed
<p>General Level Tirol</p> 	<p>Tendency tomorrow</p>  constant	

DANGER PATTERNS (DP): [dp.10 - springtime szenario](#) [dp.2 - gliding snow](#) [dp.6 - loose snow and wind](#)

Moderate danger widespread, increasing during the day

AVALANCHE DANGER

Avalanche danger in Tirol's backcountry touring regions is moderate over widespread areas. Below approximately 3000m the major peril lies in naturally triggered moist sluffs and wet-snow avalanches; the hazards will increase over the course of the day as solar radiation accumulates and intensifies, possibly reaching danger level 3, considerable. On steep, grass-covered slopes isolated gliding avalanches are possible. Above approximately 2800m, fresh, relatively small-sized snowdrift accumulations have formed; these danger zones are found particularly in exposed shady ridgeline terrain, where in some places small avalanches can be triggered even by minimum additional loading.

SNOW LAYERING

The snowpack on south facing slopes below about 3200m is thoroughly wet. On east and west facing slopes it is thoroughly wet below 2800m; on north facing slopes below about 2400m. Skies were mostly clear last night, but insufficient to form a melt-freeze crust capable of bearing loads. Above about 2800m a few cm of new fallen snow combined with brisk northerly winds have given rise to freshly formed, relatively small-sized snowdrift accumulations.

ALPINE WEATHER FORECAST (ZAMG-WEATHER SERVICE INNSBRUCK)

Weather: Wedged between a powerful high extending from Norway to the Balkan peninsula, and a low over western Russia, a northerly air current is bringing chilly and dry air masses to Tirol. This mixture will remain with us until Wednesday. Mountain weather today: milder weather (zero-degree level at 2300m) with splendid, late-winter conditions in the mountains. Yesterday's snowfall is already quite moist on sunny slopes. Temperature at 2000m, +3 degrees; at 3000m, -4 degrees. Very little wind.

SHORT TERM DEVELOPMENT

Favourable conditions in early morning, swiftly rising dangers

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