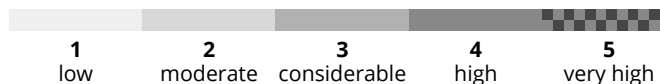


Avalanche bulletin Bavaria

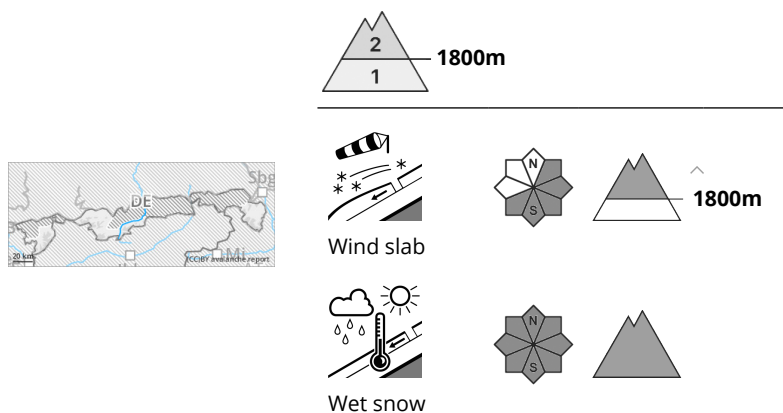
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Danger Level 2 - Moderate



Snowdrifts at high altitude, wet snow at lower altitudes

Danger assessment

Avalanche danger is moderate. Snowdrifts are problematic. Fresh and older snowdrifts can trigger a small-to-medium sized slab avalanche by minimum additional loading in some places. Danger zones occur in steep east and south-facing terrain, as well as in wind-loaded gullies and bowls, and tend to increase with ascending altitude. Releases are mostly small-sized. In isolated cases on very steep slopes where the ground is smooth, small glide-snow avalanches can unleash.

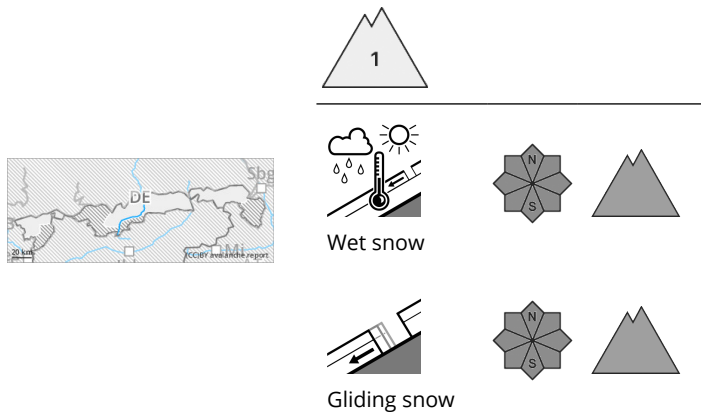
Snowpack

The generated snowdrift masses have been covered by freshly generated snowdrifts. The layers beneath the drifts are prone to triggering. On shady slopes at high altitudes there are layers of faceted crystals, in isolated cases these are prone to triggering. Below 1800m, widespread rainfall is expected. Loose, surface snow will become moist-to-wet and forfeit its consolidation. The snow base is often moist, in some places wet, which reinforces gliding movements over smooth ground.

Tendency

Snowdrifts will continue to consolidate due to higher temperatures.

Danger Level 1 - Low



Wet snow is the problem widespread

Danger assessment

Avalanche danger is moderate. Wet snow is the problem. In very steep terrain in all aspects, wet loose-snow avalanches can trigger naturally. In isolated cases avalanches can glide over smooth ground on very steep slopes. Loose-snow and glide-snow avalanches are generally small-sized.

Snowpack

Precipitation tomorrow will rapidly change from snowfall to rainfall. The loose, surface snow will be moist-to-wet and lose its bonding. The snow base is often moist, in some places wet, which reinforces gliding of the entire snowpack over smooth ground.

Tendency

The activity of wet avalanches will decrease.