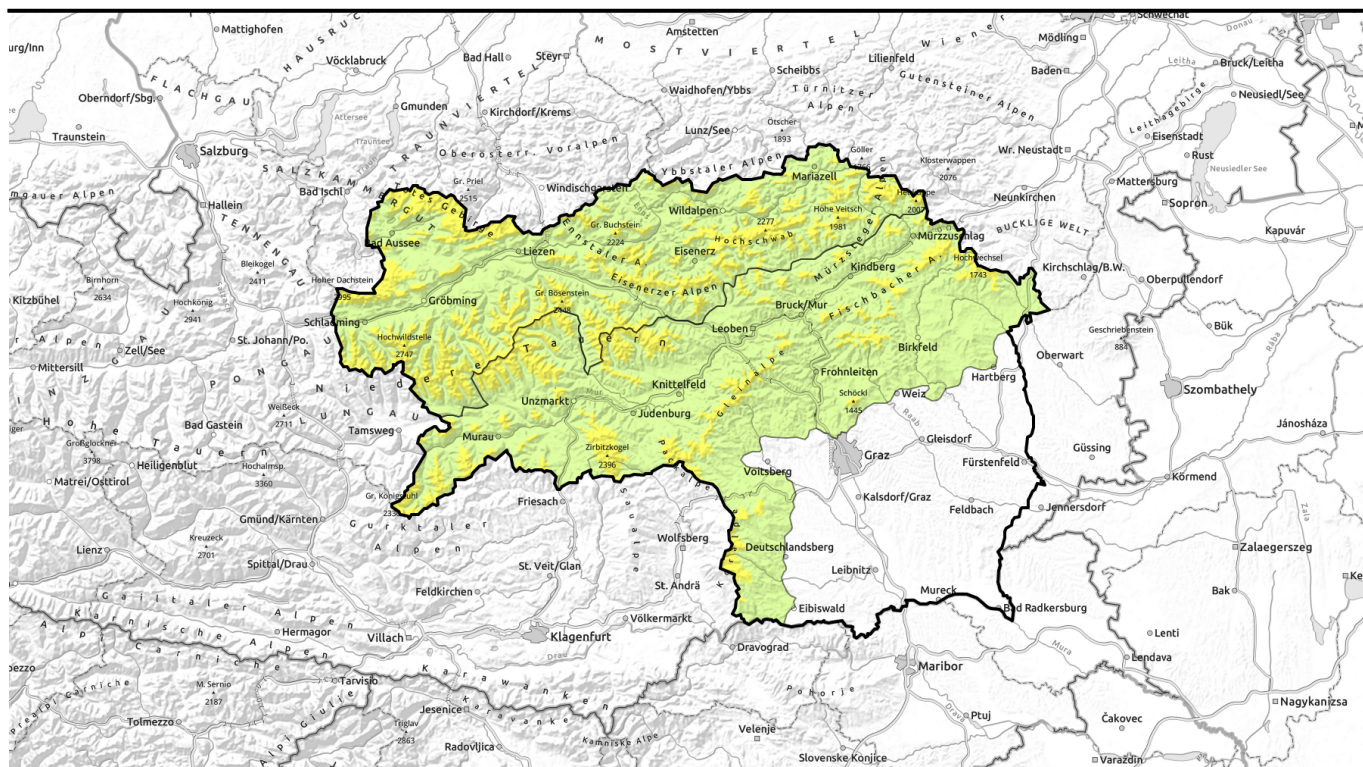


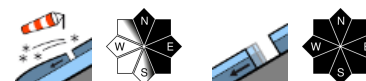
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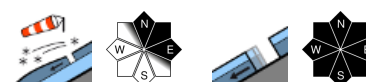
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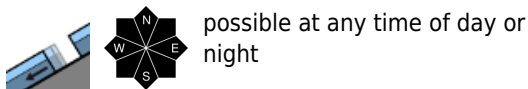
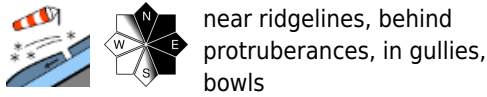
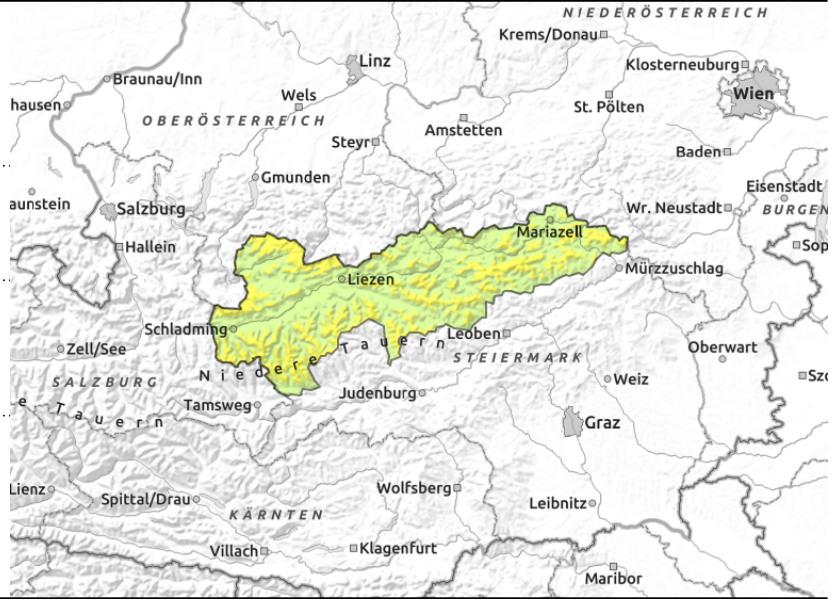


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Caution urged towards older, thinly blanketed snowdrifts. Avoid zones below glide cracks.

Main danger: older snowdrifts. Danger zones occur mainly on N/E facing wind-loaded slopes and, in particular, behind protruberances and at entry points into gullies and bowls, where slab avalanches can be triggered by large additional loading, in isolated cases also by minimum additional loading (1 person). On smooth grassy slopes naturally triggered glide-snow avalanches are possible, in isolated cases they can endanger exposed transportation routes. Zones below glide cracks should be avoided.

Snowpack structure

The fresh snow from Wednesday is bonding well with the snow from last weekend, but is becoming moist on sunny slopes. Buried snowdrifts are blanketed by fresher snowfall which has not been able to settle on shady slopes due to low temperatures. Weak layers are making the snow prone to triggering. The base at ground level is often moist, on steep grassy slopes the snowpack is still gliding.

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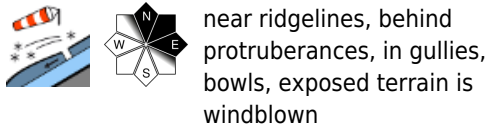
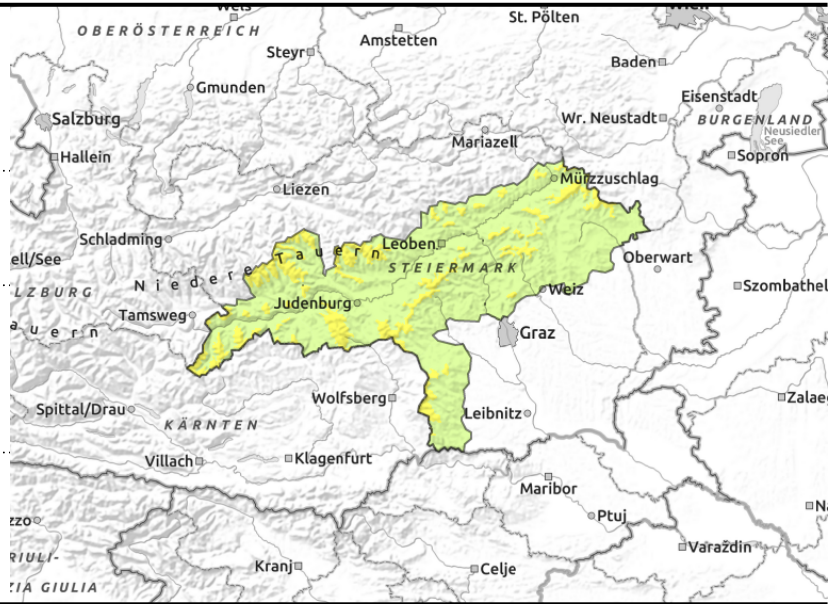


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Above the treeline moderate avalanche danger due to older snowdrift accumulations. Danger zones primarily on N/E facing slopes, especially behind protruberances and at entries into gullies and bowls slab avalanches can be triggered from the snowdrifts even by low additional loading in isolated cases.

Snowpack structure

Storm-strength winds on the southern Tauern flanks and in the rimline ranges have windblown much terrain completely bare of snow. The minor snowfall from Wednesday is bonding well with the old snow from last weekend, but older snowdrifts (which have not yet settled, due to low temperatures, esp. on shady slopes) are covered. Weak layers are making the snow prone to triggering. The base at ground level is often moist, on steep grassy slopes the snowpack is still gliding.

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