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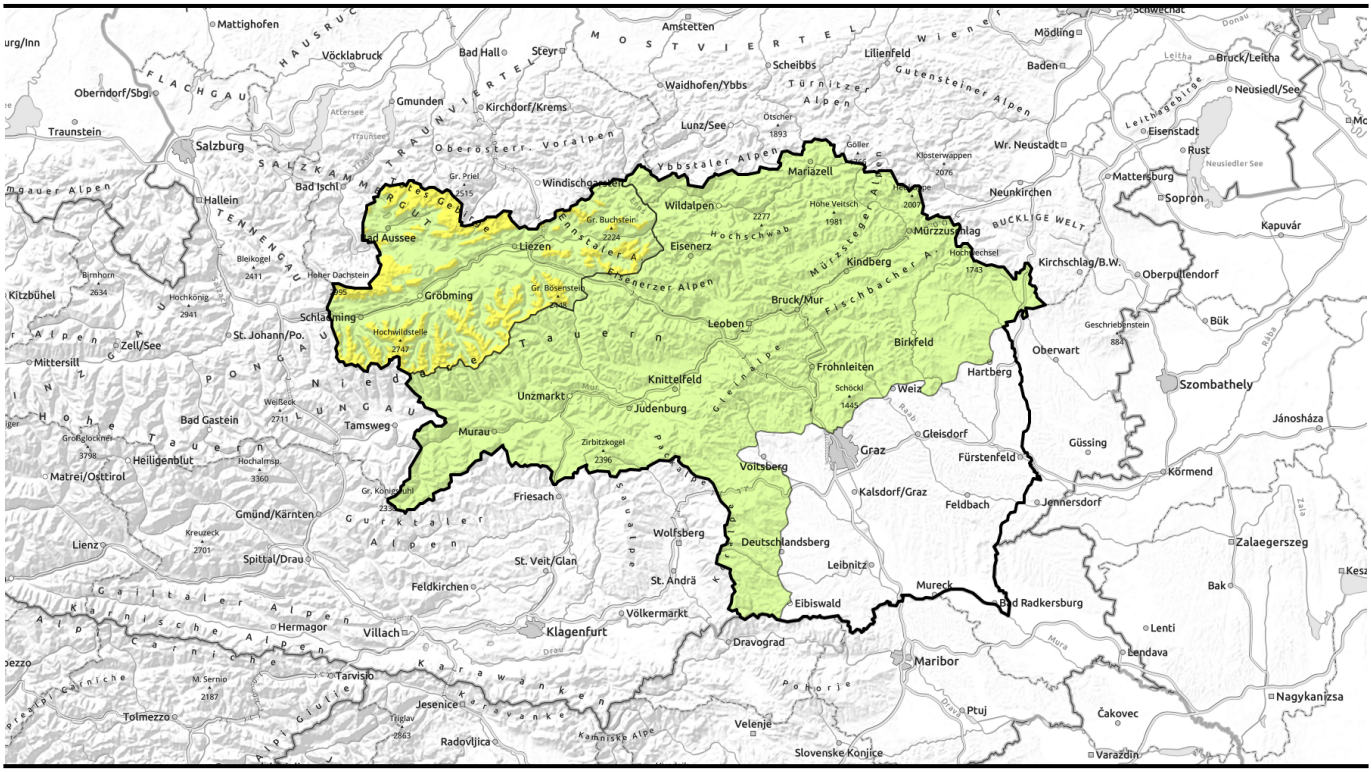
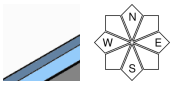


Some fresh snow and wind

1	Mürztaler Alpen, Westliche Fischbacher Alpen und Grazer Bergland, Östliche Fischbacher Alpen und Wechselgebiet, Stub- und Gleinalpe, Koralpe, Seetaler Alpen, Mürzsteger Alpen, Gaaler Alpen, Gurktaler Alpen, Südliche Wölzer Tauern, Triebener Tauern, Eisenerzer Alpen, Hochschwabgebiet, Schladminger Tauern Süd	
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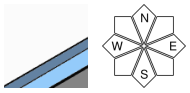

small/thin drifted masses near ridges

Low avalanche danger, but danger of falling

Avalanche danger is generally low. On high-altitude east-facing slopes there are isolated snowdrift patches. Isolated wet slides possible in Gurktal and Seetal Alps.

Snowpack structure

Due to rising temperatures then subsequent cooling, the snowpack has regained firmness. At high altitudes it is hard and icy, at intermediate altitudes moist-to-wet.

Weather

In the Gurktal and Seetal Alps and in the rimline ranges and Hochschwab region, isolated snow and sleet showers, with intensifying NW winds in the northern regions. In the NE regions winds will reach 90 km/hr.. At 2000 m: -2 degrees at midday, later dropping further.

Outlook

In the northern and western regions of Upper Styria, cloudbanks will persist, in the Dachstein region light snowfall is possible above 1200 m, elsewhere sunshine and dry. The W/NW winds will be brisk to strong. Avalanche danger levels are not expected to change significantly.

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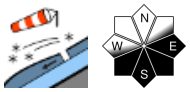

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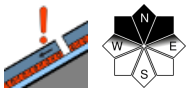

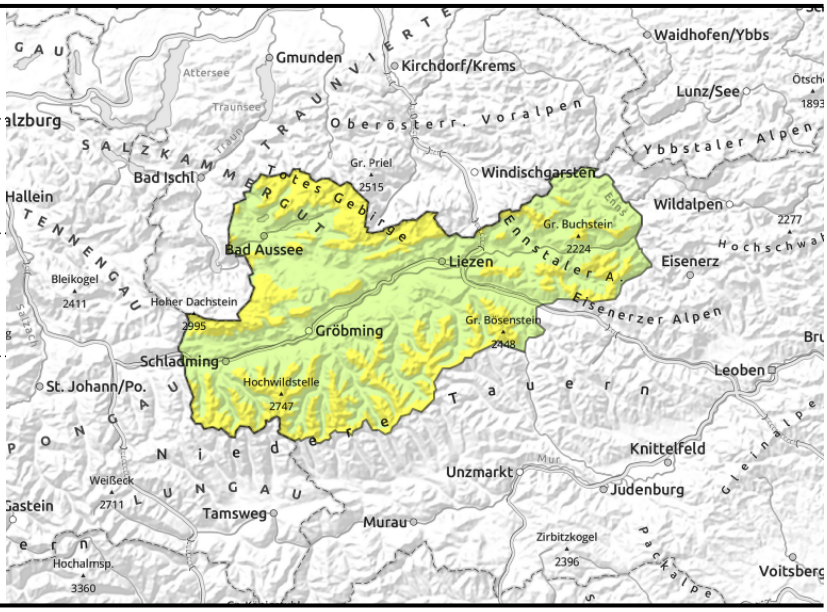

Moderate avalanche danger at high altitudes

Avalanche danger above the treeline is moderate. Main problem: thin, fresh snowdrift accumulations. The few danger zones in backcountry touring terrain lie at summit level, behind discontinuities and on leeward slopes, esp. on E/S facing slopes. Isolated wet loose-snow avalanches and glide-snow avalanches are possible. Caution: acute danger of falling on hard and icy surfaces.

Snowpack structure

The fresh snow and fresh snowdrifts lie deposited atop surface hoar or a hard layer, bonding is inadequate. The snowpack surface is hard and icy. At intermediate altiudes it is moist-to-wet. On shady steep slopes at high altitudes the expansive metamorphosis weakens the fundament.

Weather

On Thursday morning, many peaks of the Northern Alps will be shrouded in heavy cloud, visibility will be reduced. In the rimline ranges, sunshine initially, later turning overcast. At midday from the north, snowfall will set in, become heavy in the afternoon, snowfall level dropping from 1500 m down to 1000 m by evening. As a result of the precipitation, the NW winds will intensify in the north to storm-strength. In the NE regions, reaching 90 km/hr. At 2000 m: -2 degrees, later dropping further.

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