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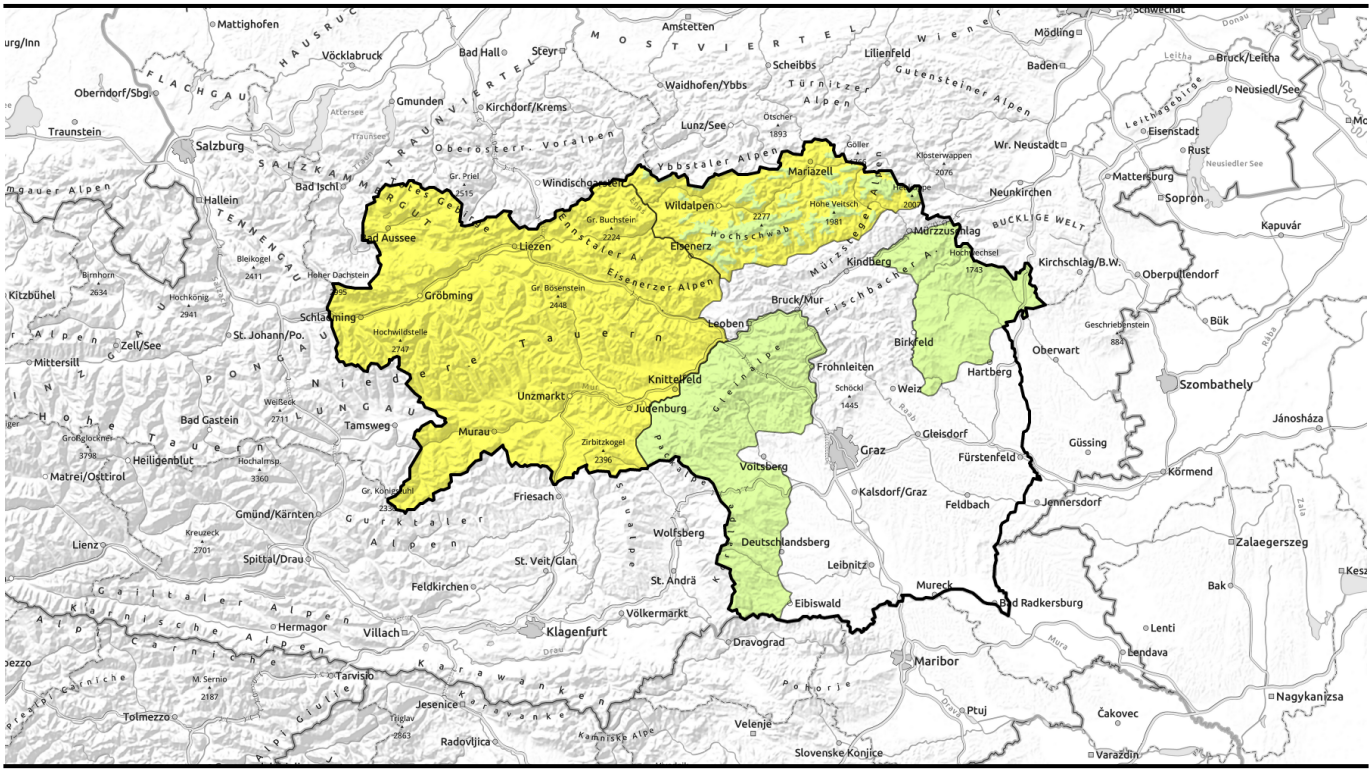

Predominantly moderate avalanche danger, snowdrifts on E/S-facing ridgeline slopes. Beware naturally-triggered glide-snow avalanches.

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Avalanche problems

New snow | Wind drifted snow | Persistent weak layer | Wet snow | Gliding snow | Cornices | no distinct

Danger ratings

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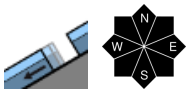
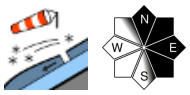
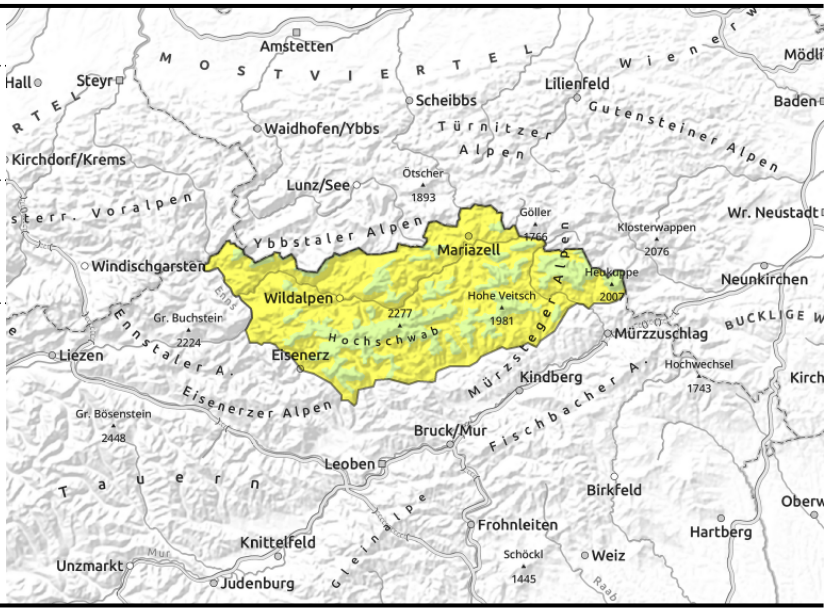


in all aspects



small, thin snowdrifts near ridgelines



Ridgeline snowdrift patches, naturally triggered glide-snow avalanches in steep terrain

Avalanche danger is moderate above 1900 m, below that altitude danger is low. On steep slopes in all aspects, naturally triggered glide-snow/wet-snow avalanches can be expected, most releases medium-sized. Open glide cracks are indicators of imminent danger. In addition, at high altitudes in extended east-facing terrain behind discontinuities there are snowdrift accumulations which in places can be triggered by 1 person, releases reaching medium-to-large size.

Snowpack structure

At high altitudes, ridgeline snowdrift accumulations have been generated by minor fresh snow and moderate W/NW winds, the drifts have not yet bonded with the snowpack surface. Windblown slopes and crests are often hard or icy, such danger zones are especially risky for falling. At intermediate and lower altitudes the snowpack is very moist-to-wet due to rain impact, can glide over smooth ground.

Weather

A weakening NW airstream will bring milder air masses to the Eastern Alps. On Thursday, some residual clouds of the receding warm front, longest from Hochschwab to Rax. From the west, pleasant conditions in the afternoon. At 2000 m: +3 degrees; at 1500 m: +7 degrees. The W/NW winds will be moderate in the morning, later on only light.
On Friday, very mild air masses will reach us, everywhere sunny, light W/SW winds. At 2000 m at midday: +8 degrees.

Outlook

As temperatures rise, the snowdrift problem will recede. The gliding snow problem will persist.

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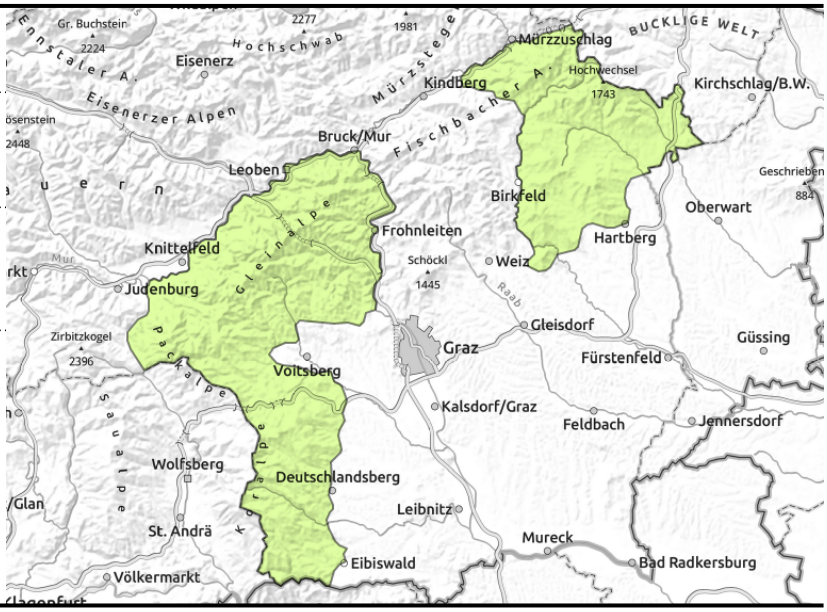
small, thin snowdrifts at high altitudes

in very isolated cases



Some fresh snowdrifts at high altitudes, isolated glide-snow/wet-snow avalanches in steep terrain

Avalanche danger is generally low. At high altitudes in extended east facing terrain, small snowdrift accumulations which in places can be triggered by 1 person, releases reaching medium-to-large size. On steep slopes in all aspects, naturally triggered glide-snow and wet-snow avalanches can be expected.

Snowpack structure

At high altitudes, ridgeline snowdrift accumulations have been generated by minor fresh snow and moderate W/NW winds, often poorly bonded with the snowpack surface. At intermediate and lower altitudes the snowpack is very moist-to-wet due to rain impact, can glide over smooth ground. The Graz and Wechsel slopes are becoming bare of snow.

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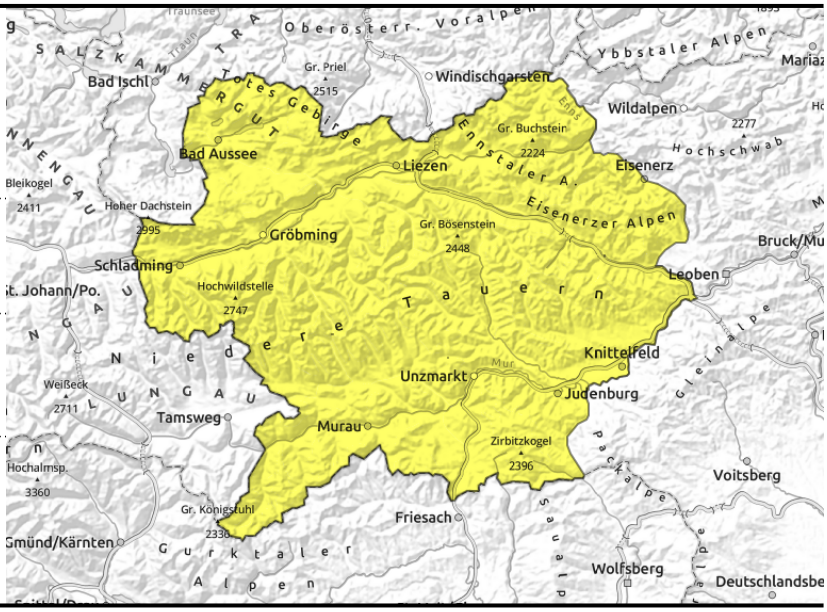
near ridges


possible at any time of day or night



Not yet settled snowdrifts at high altitudes, glide-snow avalanches in steep terrain

Avalanche danger is moderate. At high altitudes in extended east facing terrain, small snowdrift accumulations which in places can be triggered by 1 person, releases reaching medium-to-large size. On steep slopes in all aspects, naturally triggered glide-snow and wet-snow avalanches can be expected. Open glide cracks are indicators of imminent danger.

Snowpack structure

At high altitudes, fresh snow (max. 25 cm between Dachstein and Totes Gebirge) have generated ridgeline snowdrift accumulations with moderate W/NW winds, often poorly bonded with the snowpack surface and softer layers of fresh snow (warm/cold problem). On north-facing slopes fewer snowdrifts, the old snowpack surfaces are rougher. Weak layers will dissolve with the higher temperatures. Windblown slopes and crests are often hard or icy, dangerous due to risks of falling. At intermediate and lower altitudes the snowpack is very moist-to-wet due to rain impact, can glide over smooth ground.

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