

Instable weather, keep an eye on fresh drifts



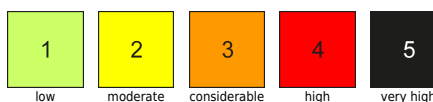
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Avalanche problems



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in isolated cases at high altitudes



in very steep terrain: wet/glide-snow avalanches

Slightly increasing snowdrift problem, receding wet-snow problem

Avalanche danger is generally low. Nonetheless, fresh snowdrift accumulations will be generated by some snowfall and gusty winds, esp. on steep east-facing slopes and behind discontinuities in the terrain can small slab avalanches be triggered. Older snowdrifts on SE facing slopes have settled, only triggerable in isolated cases in high alpine terrain.

In addition, on very steep rocky slopes which have not yet discharged, small wet-snow avalanches can trigger naturally. Avoid zones below glide cracks, that is were glide-snow avalanches are likely to release.

Often poor visibility.

Snowpack structure

The snowdrifts which were generated at the beginning of the week have been able to settle. The moist snowpack can consolidate with the dropping temperatures. Fresh snow and gusty winds will generate fresh thin snowdrift accumulations, more with ascending altitude, which will bond poorly, and mix with graupel. At intermediate altitude, good bonding. The snowpack is often wet down to the ground, in places where there has been rain impact, regionally due to solar radiation, it is wet, which destabilizes it, thus tending to glide over smooth ground.

Weather

A cold front will move over Styria from the west starting on Friday night, bringing highly variable conditions on Saturday. Clouds and rainfall, shower-like snowfall, also graupel, snowfall level at 1500 m. In afternoon on the southern flank of the Alps, sunshine, fewer showers. In the Northern Alps, fog and clouds will persist. A strong NW wind will be blowing and can intensify. At 2000 m: 0 degrees; at 1500 m: 2-5 degrees.

Outlook

On Saturday night, rainfall or snow showers in the Northern Alps, during the daytime on Sunday increasing cloud cover. Avalanche danger levels are not expected to change significantly.

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New snow



Wind drifted snow



Persistent weak layer



Wet snow



Gliding snow



Cornices



no distinct

Danger ratings



1 low



2 moderate



3 considerable



4 high



5 very high

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