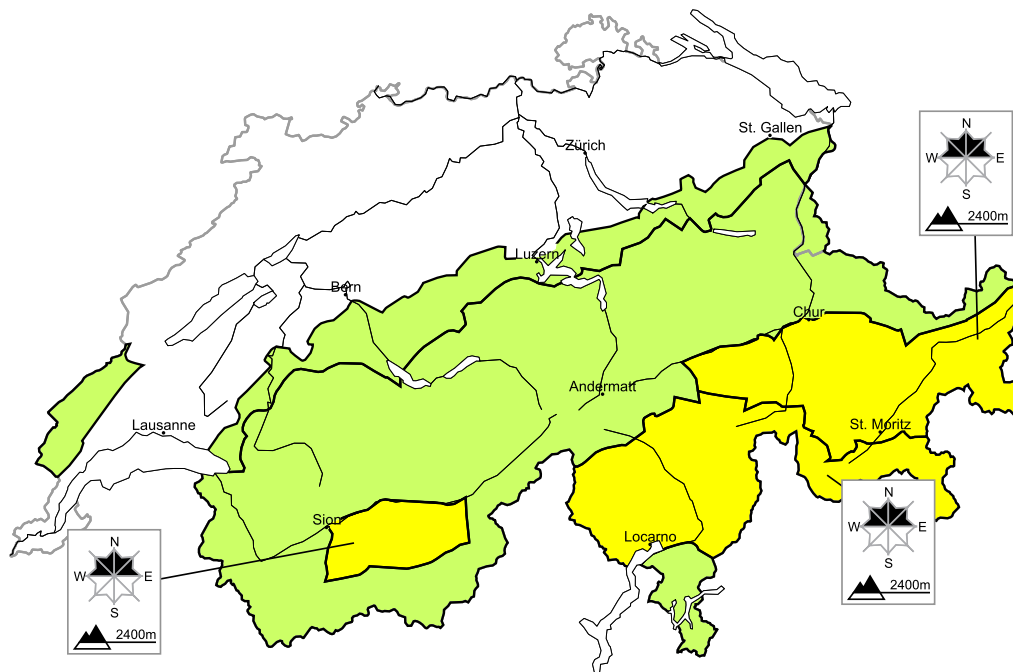


Moderate avalanche danger will be encountered in some regions

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Avalanche danger

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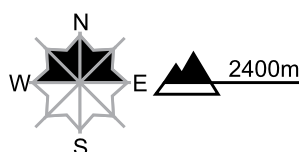
region A

Level 2, moderate



Wind slabs

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

The wind slabs of the last few days are in some cases still prone to triggering. Avalanches can reach medium size. Careful route selection is recommended. The Avalanche Warning Service currently has only a small amount of information that has been collected in the field.

Wet avalanches as day progresses

In particular on east, south and west facing slopes individual wet and gliding avalanches are possible.

Remarks

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Danger levels

1 low

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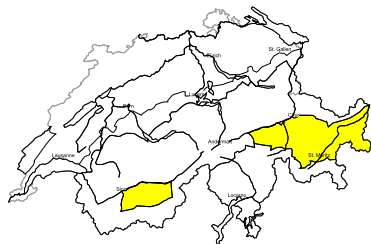
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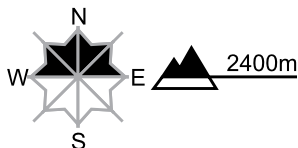
region B

Level 2, moderate



Old snow, wind slabs

Avalanche prone locations



Danger description

In very isolated cases avalanches can be released in the old snowpack and reach quite a large size. These avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular on wind-protected north facing slopes. Careful route selection is recommended.

In addition the mostly small wind slabs of the last few days are capable of being triggered in some cases. They are to be found in particular adjacent to ridgelines.

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Wet avalanches as day progresses

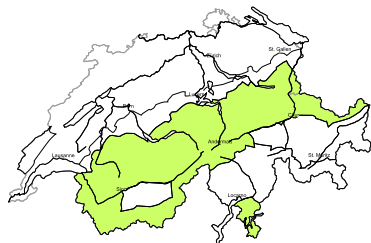
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region C

Level 1, low



Wind slabs

The small wind slabs of the last few days are in some cases still prone to triggering at elevated altitudes. They are to be found in particular adjacent to ridgelines. Restraint should be exercised because avalanches can sweep people along and give rise to falls.

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Wet avalanches as day progresses

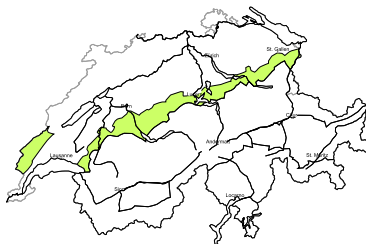
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Remarks

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region D

Level 1, low



No distinct avalanche problem

Individual gliding avalanches are possible. Dry avalanches are unlikely to occur.

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Danger levels



1 low



2 moderate



3 consider.



4 high



5 very high



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Snowpack and weather

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Snowpack

On very steep north-facing slopes above approximately 2200 m, the snowpack surface is still loosely-packed in some places, in other places it tends to generally moisten during the course of the day. During nights of predominantly clear skies, the moist snowpack freezes and forms a crust capable of bearing loads which then during the course of the day incrementally softens up.

Surface-near layers of snow are still prone to triggering, particularly on very steep north-facing slopes in the southern regions.

More deeply embedded inside the snowpack, particularly in the inneralpine regions of the Valais and Grisons, especially on north-facing, wind-protected and shallow-snow slopes above approximately 2600 m, there are weak layers evident from place to place. Isolated stability tests have fractured in precisely these layers.

Observed weather on Thursday, 02.04.2020

Following a night of clear skies it was predominantly sunny. During the course of the day in the northern regions there was a certain amount of convective cloud build-up.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between +1 °C in the western regions and -2 °C in the eastern and southern regions.

Wind

Winds were predominantly light from westerly directions.

Weather forecast through Friday, 03.04.2020

Nocturnal skies in the northern and eastern regions will be partly overcast, in the southern regions skies will be clear. During the daytime in the northern regions it will be quite sunny, with convective cloud build-up during the course of the day. In the southern regions it will be sunny.

Fresh snow

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Temperature

At midday at 2000 m, between -3 °C in the northern regions and -1 °C in the southern regions.

Wind

- Winds are expected to be predominantly light from westerly to northerly directions;
- in high alpine regions, intermittently moderate northerly winds are anticipated.

Outlook through Sunday, 05.04.2020

Nighttime skies in eastern regions will be partly overcast on Friday night, in the other regions of Switzerland skies will be clear. During the daytime on Saturday it will be generally sunny. On Sunday it will be sunny and milder. The zero-degree level will ascend to nearly 3000 m.

The danger of dry-snow avalanches will decrease. The danger of wet-snow avalanches will increase somewhat during the course of the day on Saturday as a result of solar radiation. On Sunday the increase will be more rapid and more intense as a result of the higher temperatures.