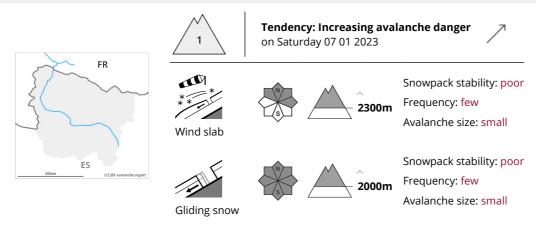




Danger Level 1 - Low



Old wind slabs at elevated altitudes. Gliding avalanches are possible in isolated cases as before.

Shady slopes: The snowpack will be generally stable. The small wind slabs of Monday are poorly bonded with the old snowpack in particular on shady slopes and at elevated altitudes. They can still be released in some cases in particular on very steep, little used shady slopes.

In addition a latent danger of gliding avalanches exists. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided. This applies on extremely steep grassy slopes at intermediate and high altitudes.

Apart from the danger of being buried, restraint should be exercised in view of the danger of avalanches sweeping people along and giving rise to falls. In many places there is a danger of falling on the hard crust.

Snowpack

5 to 10 cm of snow, and even more in some localities, fell on Monday above approximately 2000 m. Shady slopes: The snowpack is largely stable and its surface consists of loosely bonded snow lying on a resilient crust. In some cases the wind slabs have bonded poorly with the old snowpack.

Sunny slopes: The surface of the snowpack will freeze to form a strong crust and will soften during the day. Above the tree line there are 10 to 40 cm of snow, and even more in some localities. At high altitudes and in high Alpine regions snow depths vary greatly, depending on the infuence of the wind. At low altitude no snow is lying.

Tendency

Saturday: In some localities increase in avalanche danger as a consequence of the moderate to strong southwesterly wind. Further increase in danger of dry avalanches in particular on wind-loaded slopes. The danger of gliding avalanches will persist.