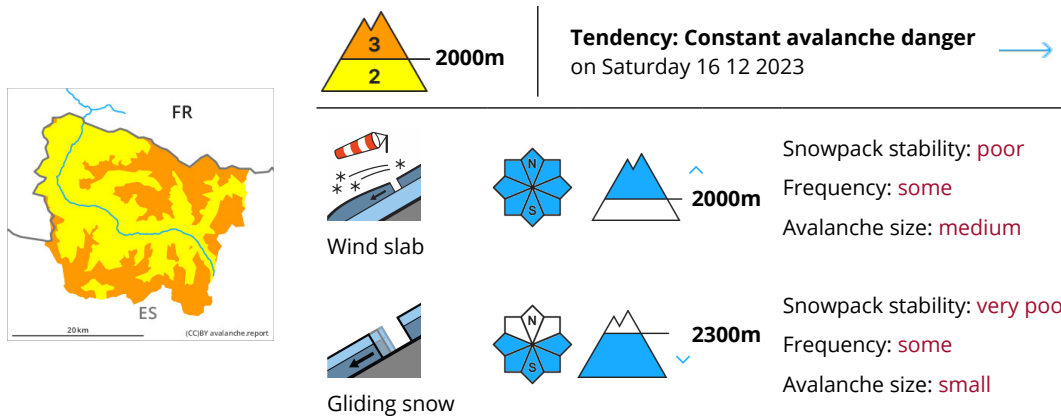




Danger Level 3 - Considerable



Wind slabs represent the main danger.

The wind slabs can be released easily, or in isolated cases naturally, in all aspects above approximately 2000 m. In many cases the avalanches are medium-sized and can be released easily by a single winter sport participant. The avalanche prone locations are to be found especially in gullies and bowls, and behind abrupt changes in the terrain and in places that are protected from the wind.

From midday as a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation there will be an increase in the danger of gliding avalanches and snow slides. The avalanche prone locations are to be found in particular on very steep grassy slopes below approximately 2300 m. The avalanches in these locations are rather small.

The conditions are treacherous for ski touring, freeriding and snowshoe hiking.

Snowpack

20 to 40 cm of snow has fallen since yesterday. The wind was strong adjacent to ridgelines.

5 to 10 cm of snow, and even more in some localities, will fall until the early morning above approximately 1500 m. The northwesterly wind will transport the new snow significantly.

The new snow and wind slabs are lying on a crust in all aspects.

Above approximately 2000 m there are 30 to 50 cm of snow. In all regions at high altitudes and in high Alpine regions snow depths vary greatly, depending on the influence of the wind.

Tendency

Saturday: Significant increase in danger of gliding avalanches and moist snow slides as a consequence of warming.