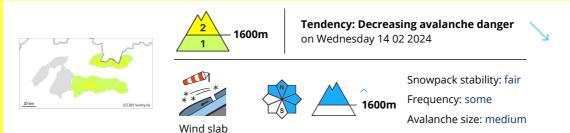








Danger Level 2 - Moderate



At higher altitudes, wind-blown slabs and snow pillows.

Moderate avalanche danger (2nd degree) is declared for the highest altitudes of the Low, High and Western Tatras. There are wind-blown snow slabs and pillows in several places. Dangerous places are located on leeward slopes, gullies, mostly on northern orientation. Medium-sized avalanches may be released after high additional loads. Caution is required where old packed snow alternates with wind-blown slabs and pillows. Spontaneous avalanches are not expected. As the air cools down at lower elevations, the situation will be even more stable.

Snowpack

Wind-blown snow in the form of slabs and pillows is found mainly in the highest altitudes of the Tatras. The snow is very unevenly distributed, some places are blown down to the hard, icy ground. On others, on the contrary, a larger amount of snow is blown by the wind. At altitudes below 1600 m the snow was wet due to rain. The snow will stabilise even more as the weather cools down.

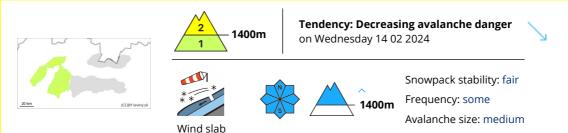
Tendency

With cooling decreasing.





Danger Level 2 - Moderate



There is a small avalanche danger in the Fatras.

Moderate avalanche danger (2nd degree) is declared in the Fatras for positions above 1400 m. There, windblown snow slabs and pillows occur in several places. Dangerous places are located on windward slopes, couloirs and moguls, mostly with a northern orientation. Medium-sized avalanches may be released after large additional loads. Caution is required where old packed snow alternates with wind-blown slabs and pillows. Spontaneous avalanches are not expected. As it cools at lower elevations, the situation will stabilise further.

Snowpack

Wind-blown snowcan be found only at the highest altitudes. At altitudes below 1400 m it mostly rained. Rain-soaked snow will stabilise as it cools. The boundary of continuous snow cover is roughly 1100-1200 m above sea level.

Tendency

With cooling decreasing.

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