Avalancherisk assessmentbulletin

(valid outside marked and open slopes)

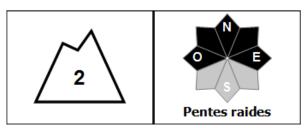
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written on Sunday January 10, 2021 at 4 p.m.

Risk estimate until Monday, January 11, 2021 in the evening

Limited risk.





Risk indices: 5 very strong - 4 strong - 3 marked - 2 limited - 1 weak - In black: the most dangerous slopes

Spontaneousdepartures: rare flows and rare base plates in steep adrets.

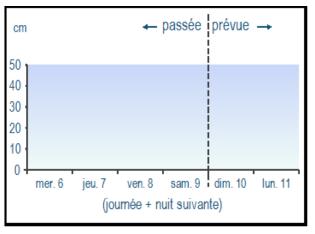
Triggers skiers: a few slabs, trapping above 2300 m.

Snowpack stability

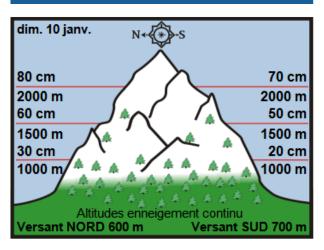
- -Typical situation: cold snow, more or less blown on the surface, with fragile sub-layers persisting at more than 2300 m (East, North and West). -Spontaneous avalanches: Unlikely. Rare sunk in the rocky bars to the south in the middle of the day and at the beginning of the afternoon, or possibly a bottom slab by crawling, in steep grassy terrain below 1800/2000 m (non-purged sectors).
- -Triggérs by hikers: the old wind slabs formed in éarly January in mid-mountain are mostly stabilized.

On the other hand, given the persistent North-East wind, a few new small scattered surface patches could break when a skier passes, especially in the vicinity of passes and ridges. At more than 2300 m, fragile sub-layers persist on the west, north and east slopes, but they are generally sufficiently buried and difficult to apply. However, in addition to the risk of triggering small slabs on the surface at altitude, a thicker slab of great width will not be excluded on fairly steep slopes greater than 2300 m, especially when grouped skiers pass. Caution will remain essential, especially in areas with little snowfall and in transitions between areas with little snow and heavy snow.

Fresh snow at 1800 m



Off-piste snow depth



Weather preview

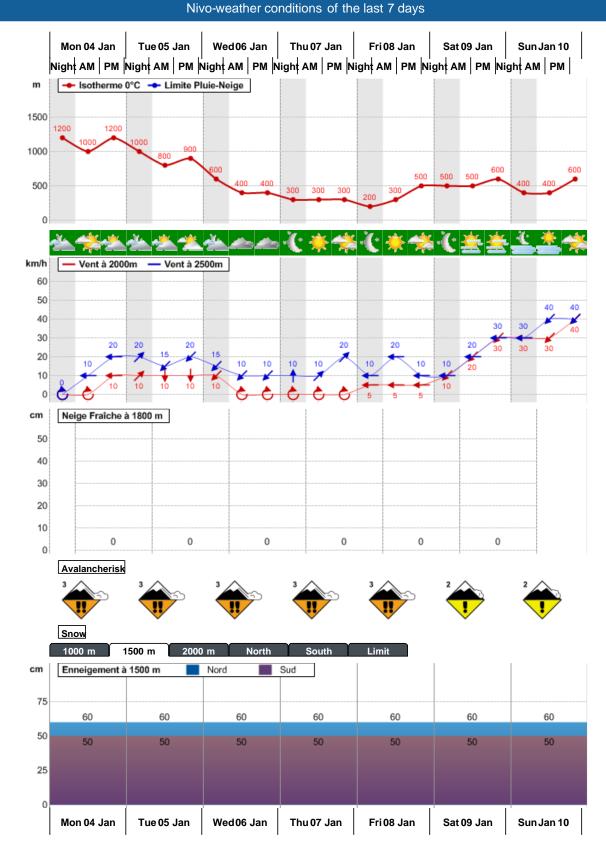
monday 11 january

Rain snow			
ISO 0 ° C	400 m	500 m	600 m
Wind 2000 m	∠ 30 km / h	2 30 km / h	2 30 km / h
Wind 2500 m	∠ 40 km / h	∠ 40 km / h	∠ 40 km / h

Snow quality

- Deficient, irregular snowfall. The wind blew a lot during the last falls at the end of December. You can put on skis or snowshoes at around 1000/1200 m. Watch out for hidden pebbles.
- -Quality: cold snow, powdery appearance on a dense or hard bottom (surface frost in the valleys, pleasant to ski). More dense snow in steep slopes, with a fine crust on the surface following the alternation of freezing fog / sun. Locally peeled tops and bumps. Some cornices formed on the ridges.

Niling considers and distance of the last 7 days



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