

Avalanche risk assessment bulletin

(valid outside marked and open slopes)

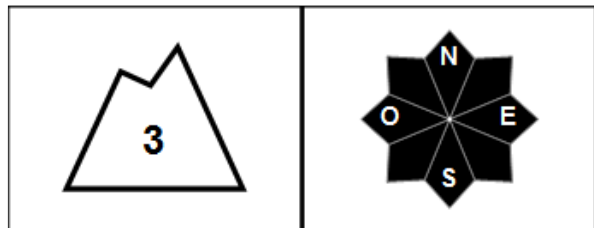
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Risk estimate until Saturday 23 January 2021 in the evening



Marked risk.



Spontaneous starts: Some powder runs and a few bottom slabs.

Triggers skiers: Accumulations of blown snow.

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

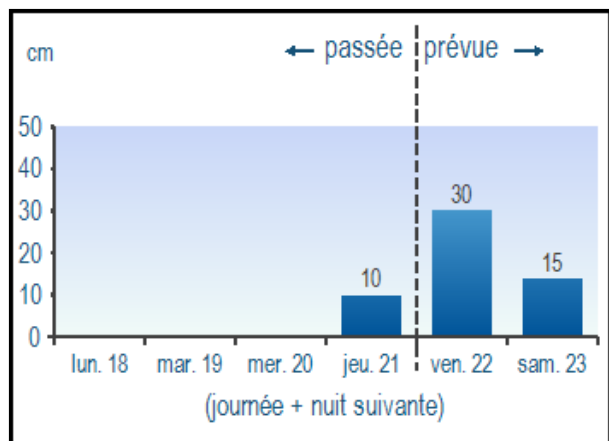
Snowpack stability

Typical avalanche situations: fresh snow, windy snow.

Spontaneous departures: Some powder snow flows are possible until Saturday morning on steep slopes and corridors. Snakes are still present on steep grassy slopes below 1800/2200 m and medium-sized bottom slabs can give way spontaneously at any time.

Triggers caused: On Saturday, the passage of a skier in the layer of fresh snow could locally trigger a friable plate, probably of small size. The most worrying risk concerns the release of the harder slabs, especially formed in recent days by a south to southwest wind, and masked by fresh snow. These patches can be easily triggered where the snowpack has not undergone wetting and settling on Wednesday and Thursday, that is to say above 1800/2000 m. Occasionally, the triggering of such a plate could stress old buried fragile layers and be at the origin of a large avalanche. Wind transport of snow will continue on Saturday, forming new unstable accumulations.







Fresh snow at 1800 m



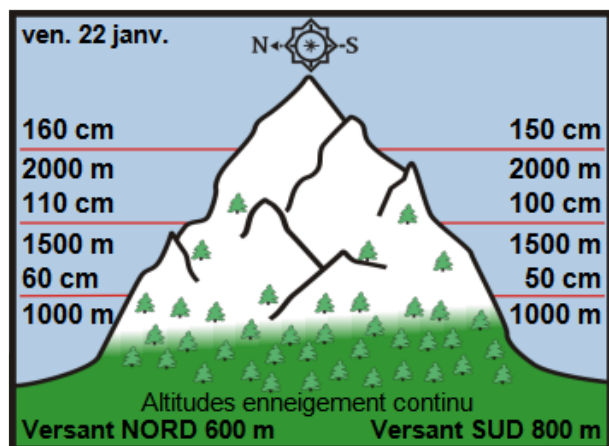
Weather preview

Saturday 23 January



Rain snow	500 m		700 m			
ISO 0 ° C	900 m		800 m	1100 m		
Wind 2000 m		10 km / h		40 km / h		60 km / h
Wind 2500 m		20 km / h		20 km / h		70 km / h

Off-piste snow depth



Snow quality

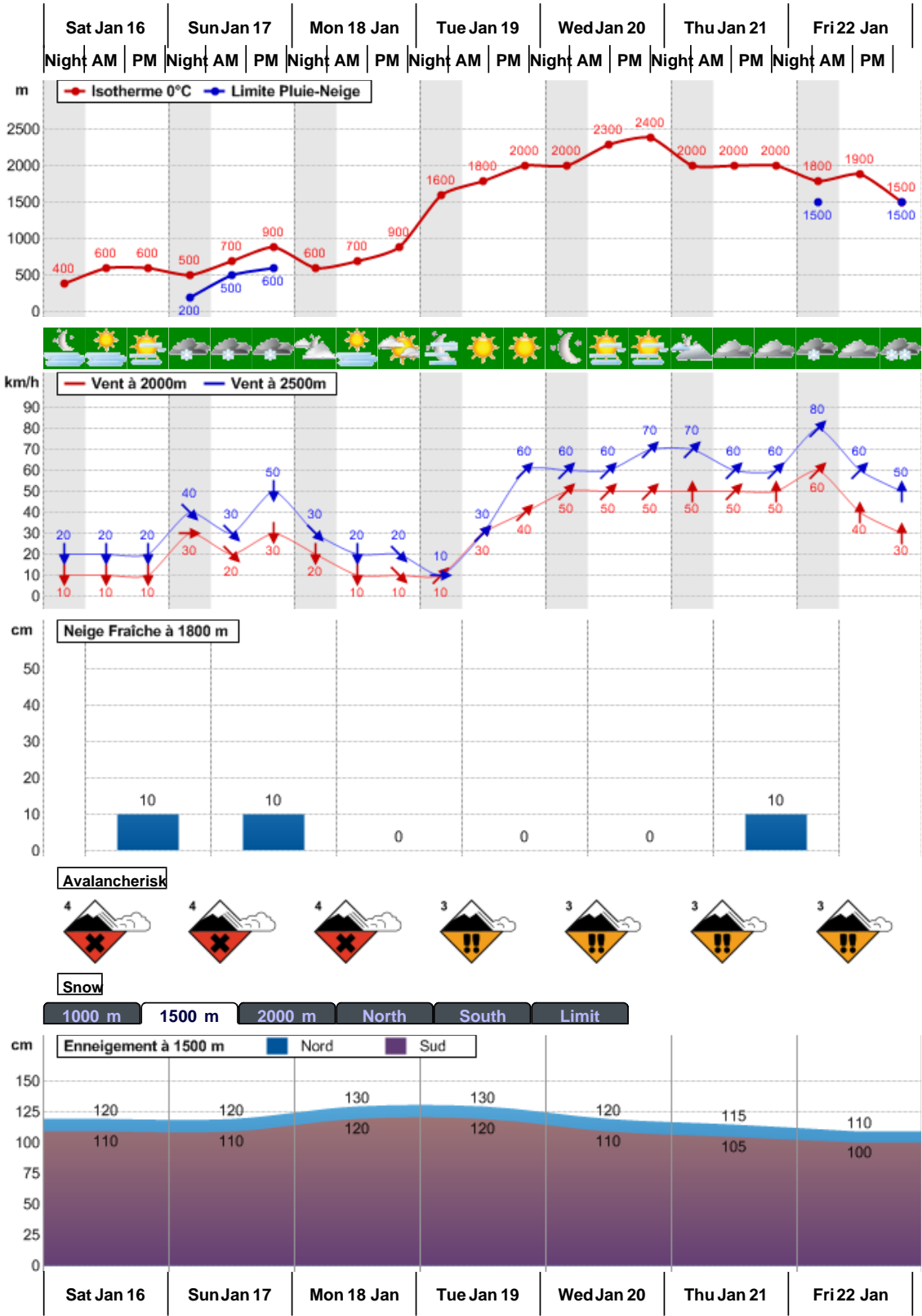
The snow cover is good even in the valleys. You can put on your skis at around 800/900 m.

Quality: layer of fresh windy snow in the course of falling, covering a thick layer of recent snow, heavy below 1800 m, dense powder at higher altitude when it has not been strongly affected by the wind.

Subsequent risk trend



Nivo-weather conditions of the last 7 days



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