



Intensive Avalanche Course - Furkapass

ADVANCED AVALANCHE TRAINING (CH) | 2 DAYS

However thoroughly you prepare before a tour, a 100% assessment of the snow situation is never possible. Assessing the avalanche situation remains difficult, despite consulting all available sources of information. To make sure you are prepared for any eventuality, this training covers all possible scenarios you might encounter in an emergency situation. Practical exercises will help you consolidate your knowledge and build on your experience to make sure you are prepared at all times for any extreme situation.

This course is suitable for ski tourers, snowboarders and snowshoe enthusiasts.

Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tour preparation with with avalanche hazard map• Structure of snow cover• Deep burials• Rescue procedures• Practical rescue exercise• Emergency biwac building• Removal options
Destination	You consolidate your knowledge of avalanche issues and can use it routinely on your tours.
Technique	intermediate Piste: very confident on skis; Powder snow: solid prior experience; Terrain: mostly steep terrain, narrow couloirs; Alpine technique (for ski touring): solid touring experience or completed training course
Condition	beginner–intermediate Duration from 4 to 6 hours, up to approx.1,000 vertical meters, approx. 250 vertical meters per hour.
Meeting place	8.45 a.m. Mammut Store Piazza Gottardo, Furkagasse 2, 6490 Andermatt (train arrival 8.24 Uhr Andermatt)Due to the necessary protective measures regarding COVID-19, we kindly ask you not to enter the store until the meeting time. It is possible to stay in the Café/Restaurant Biselli, which is located directly next door.
Departure	Approx. 16.00 a.m. Mammut Store Andermatt / Imholz Sport, Furkagasse 2, 6490 Andermatt
Accommodation	Hotel Tiefenbach, Furkapass

Services



Included

- Guiding and supervision by a mountain guide
- Accommodation with half board: 1 x Hotel (standard double room)
- Mammut Safety Equipment to test (Avalanche Safety Equipment and Avalanche Airbag worth CHF 89.-)
- Eiger Extreme Hardshell Jacket to test
- "Caution Avalanches" course materials
- 15% discount on mammut.com

Not included

- Travel to the course
- Transport (possible travel by mountain rail)
- Snacks and drinks
- Ski touring equipment CHF 89 (skis, ski poles, bindings, skins, ski crampons incl. insurance)
- Ski touring boots CHF45
- MSR Snowshoes incl. ski poles CHF 40
- Optional: Avalanche Certificate Swiss Mountain Training CHF 30 (Level 2)



Program

- Day 1** Welcome and distribution of rental equipment at the MAMMUT Store in Andermatt. Even as the group makes its way up from Realp to the Tiefenbach Hotel, we will be analyzing the avalanche situation and starting the first exercises. In the evening, we will plan the tour for the following day. (Distance: 4.5 km. Hiking time: 2 hours. Ascent: 600 vertical meters).
- Day 2** The terrain around the Tiefenbach Hotel offers countless opportunities for practical exercises. We will take a closer look at the structure of the snow pack and run through various scenarios. (Distance: 5-7 km; Hiking time: 4-6 hours; Ascent: 1,000 vertical meters).

Rental equipment

Our mountain guide will bring the ordered rental equipment to the meeting place. The following equipment can be rented:

- Barryvox (Avalanche Transceiver)
- Avalanche Probe
- Avalanche Shovel
- Avalanche-Airbag-Backpack
- Ski touring equipment (skis, binding, skins, ski crampons, poles and insurance)
- Ski touring boots
- MSR Snowshoes
- (telescopic) Ski poles

Technical equipment

- Barryvox (Avalanche Transceiver)
- Avalanche Probe
- Avalanche Shovel
- Avalanche airbag backpack (approx. 30 l with ski carrier)
- Ski touring equipment (skis, bindings, skins, ski crampons)
- Alpine ski boots or touring ski boots
- Alternative to ski touring equipment for Snowboarders: Splitboard with skins or snowboard and snowshoes including snowboard boots
- Alternative to ski touring equipment for snowshoe enthusiasts: Snowshoes including Winter/Mountaineering shoes
- (telescopic) Ski poles
- Ski helmet (optional)

Clothing

- 1x Skijacke und 1x Skihose (Gore-Tex oder ähnliches Material)
- 1x Soft Shell und/oder Fleecejacke
- 1x Funktionelle Unterwäsche kurz/lang
- 1x Mütze und 1x Stirnband
- 2x Handschuhe (1x dünn; 1x warm, wind- und wasserdicht)
- 1x Funktionssocken und 1x Ersatzsocken

Overnight cottage

- Own toiletries, ear plugs if required
- Clothes to wear in the hotel (Minimum)
- Slipper socks are at the hotel
- Sleeping bag liner made of silk or cotton (for hygienic reasons)
- SAC/Alpine Club member card (if available)

Food

- Breakfast and dinner at the hotel
- Tea and lunch must be brought or can be bought at the hotel
- Snacks (e.g. energy bars, dried fruit, dried meat)



Various

- Sunglasses and ski goggles
- Sun cream and lip cream (SPF 30 or higher)
- Camera and binoculars (optional)
- Half fare travelcard (if existing)
- Thermos flask made from break-proof material
- Headlamp with new batteries
- Small medicinal supplies for personal requirements