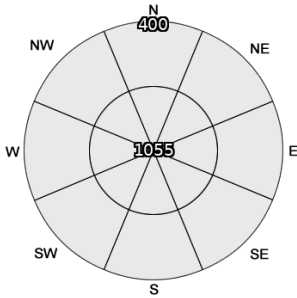


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 18/03/2023 TO 18:00HRS Sun 19/03/2023



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
Very High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. Numerous very large, often extremely large natural avalanches can be expected.
High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. In some cases, numerous large, often very large sized natural avalanches can be expected.
Considerable	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
Moderate	Very large sized natural avalanches are unlikely. Human triggering possible in indicated steep places.
Low	Only small and medium sized natural avalanches are possible. Human triggering possible in steep, extreme terrain.

Forecast Weather Influences

Very light scattered showers overnight will turn to snow on the higher summits as the freezing level falls, then clear to give a dry day. The freezing level will be above the summits at the start of the forecast period, falling to around 700 metres by the end of the day. Fresh Westerly winds overnight will decrease to light during the morning and back Southerly during the afternoon.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The existing snowpack will be well bonded and stable and begin to refreeze in the colder temperatures. Snowpack stability will be good in all locations. New snowfall amounts are not expected to be significant. Greatest snow cover will remain above 800 metres in corries, gullies and on steep summit slopes. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 18/03/2023

Observed Weather Influences

A mild, damp day with scattered showers which fell as rain to all levels. The freezing level was above the summits. Winds were light to moderate South-Easterly.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack continues to thaw and consolidate. Snowpack stability is good. Any remaining cornices are prone to collapse. The snow cover is diminishing with greatest amounts remaining in corries, gullies and steep summit slopes above 800 metres. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Diminishing snowpack, better above 800 metres. Cloud base was around 700 metres all day. Winds approx 10mph or less.

Comments

Another mild spell to follow on Monday and Tuesday.