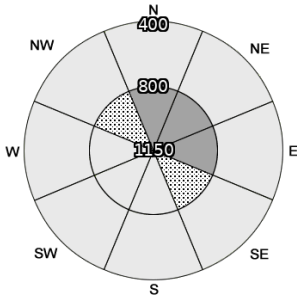


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 25/01/2025 TO 18:00HRS Sun 26/01/2025**



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

**Forecast Weather Influences**

Further snow showers above 200 metres during Saturday night and into Sunday morning, then becoming mainly dry. Strong winds will start out being South-South-Westerly backing and easing becoming Easterly strengthening again to near gale force. The freezing level will be around 300-400 metres throughout.

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

Further accumulations of unstable windslab will continue to develop becoming more widespread. The greatest deposits will be mainly on North to East aspects above 800 metres. Other wind sheltered aspects may also be affected. Steep sheltered gullies, scarp slopes, gully exits and corrie headwalls will be most affected. Fragile cornices will exist above many of these locations. Wind exposed locations will often be scoured but generally stable. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

**Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 25/01/2025**

**Observed Weather Influences**

Overnight, and through today quite heavy snow showers fell to lower levels, mostly during the morning. The winds were generally strong, South-South-Westerly and the freezing level was around 400 metres. It was brighter and drier in the afternoon.

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

Accumulations of windslab have continued to develop in many wind sheltered locations, where deeper deposits exist they are weakly bonded and generally unstable. Areas most affected are North to East aspects above 800 metres, with some other aspects affected due to cross loading. Fragile cornices are present above many of these aspects. Wind exposed slopes are often scoured sometimes icy but stable. The avalanche hazard is Considerable.

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Cloudy start with some whiteout conditions, brighter and drier in the afternoon. Snow lying mainly above 300 metres with some deeper drifts at higher elevations, wind scoured and shallow on some aspects. Strong, cold South-South-Westerly winds.

**Comments**

Further snow showers overnight Sunday clearing for a mainly dry day on Monday.