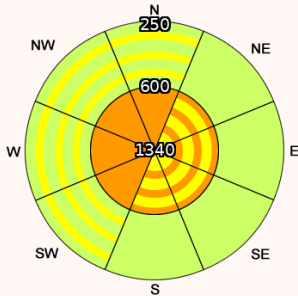


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 13/01/2010 TO 18:00HRS Thu 14/01/2010**



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**

Snow showers through out the period with strong South-East winds overnight, easing during Thursday

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

Areas of unstable windslab will continue to form in areas sheltered from the South-East winds. The existing areas of unstable snow will remain. Greatest accumulations of unstable snow will be on steep South-West, West and North aspects above 600m. Localised accumulations will be present in other locations. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable

**Observed Avalanche Hazard - Wed 13/01/2010**

**Observed Weather Influences**

Strong South-East winds and cold temperatures

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

Areas of unstable snow are present on all aspects above 600m. Greatest accumulations are on steep South-West, West and North aspects. Localised accumulations are present in other locations. The avalanche hazard is Considerable

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Reasonable at most levels. Starting to thaw lower down

**Comments**

Strong winds expected to ease by Thursday