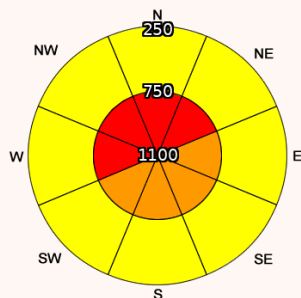


## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 15/01/2010 TO 18:00HRS Sat 16/01/2010



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

It will remain mild with heavy rain that will turn to sleet over the highest tops.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Stability will remain very poor on all West to North-East aspects above 750m and poor elsewhere. Additional loading and lubrication from rain will overload a weakened snowpack and avalanches will occur. The avalanche hazard will be High.

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 15/01/2010

### Observed Weather Influences

Snow turned to rain at all levels. Winds have been strong Southerly and temperatures became much milder during the day.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

A period of very poor stability was induced on all West to North aspects above 750m as the temperature rose and snow turned to rain. Debris from several avalanches noted on steep North aspects immediately east of Bellevue Buttress in Coire Ardair. The avalanche hazard is High.

### Mountain Conditions

#### Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Wet snow at all levels

#### Comments

Poor mountain and overhead conditions in prospect.