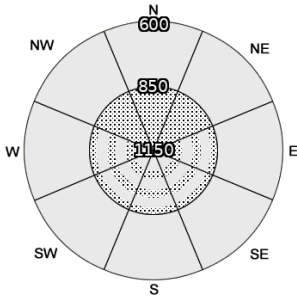


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 23/01/2010 TO 18:00HRS Sun 24/01/2010**



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**

There will be light snow showers overnight with variable Northerly winds. During the day it will be mainly dry with light Easterly winds.

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

New snow deposits are not expected to be significant. Shallow windslab will start to develop in sheltered locations mainly above 850 metres on South-East through to South-West aspects. Isolated hard slab deposits will still exist on North-West through to North-East aspects above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

**Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 23/01/2010**

**Observed Weather Influences**

Cold, dry conditions with light Northerly winds.

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

The snowpack is generally well bonded on most aspects. However above 900 metres some shallow localised weakly bonded hard windslab deposits are present mainly on North-West through North to East aspects. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Main accumulations above 600 metres.

**Comments**

Remaining cold with light snow showers.