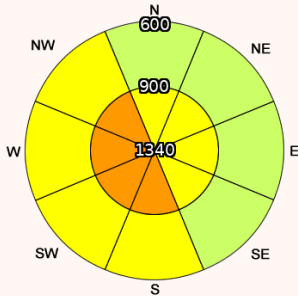


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 23/02/2010 TO 18:00HRS Wed 24/02/2010**



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**

Strengthening North-East winds and light snow showers.

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

Redistribution of existing unconsolidated snow will take place as the winds increase. This will produce fresh areas of unstable snow. Greatest accumulations will be at the tops of South through West to North-West aspects above 900m. Localised on other aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

**Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 23/02/2010**

**Observed Weather Influences**

Cold and dry conditions with light Easterly winds

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

The snowpack continues to gradually stabilise at all levels. On many aspects, the snowpack is unconsolidated. Localised instabilities are present on some steep slopes. The avalanche hazard is Moderate

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Fresh snow at all levels. Starting to melt at lower elevations in the sun

**Comments**

Increasing winds should start to form fresh areas of unstable snow