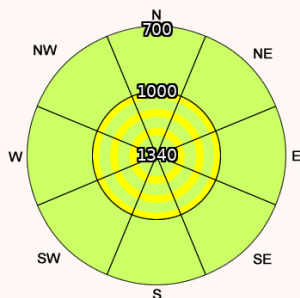


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 20/03/2010 TO 18:00HRS Sun 21/03/2010**



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 are expected above 1000 metres during Sunday. This will be accompanied by moderate South-West winds.

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

The existing snowpack will remain generally stable. Localised areas of fresh windslab will form during the snow showers. Greatest accumulations will be on steep North, North-East and East aspects above 1100 metres. Accumulations will also be present on steep slopes on other aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

**Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 20/03/2010**

**Observed Weather Influences**

There were light showers with a freezing level of around 1200 metres.

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

On many aspects above 1050m, an icy crust is present on the snow surface. On higher Easterly aspects localised areas of fresh wet snow are present but accumulations are not significant. Snowpack stability is generally good. The avalanche hazard is Low.

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Wet snow below 1050m.

**Comments**

Climbing conditions unlikely to improve at lower altitudes.