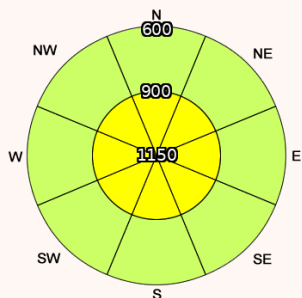


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 20/03/2010 TO 18:00HRS Sun 21/03/2010



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
Very High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. Numerous very large, often extremely large natural avalanches can be expected.
High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. In some cases, numerous large, often very large sized natural avalanches can be expected.
Considerable	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
Moderate	Very large sized natural avalanches are unlikely. Human triggering possible in indicated steep places.
Low	Only small and medium sized natural avalanches are possible. Human triggering possible in steep, extreme terrain.

Forecast Weather Influences

After a dry night there will be a few showers during the day. These will fall as snow on the summits. Moderate winds will be from the South-West.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Minor wet snow instabilities will be present on steep slopes and gullies on all aspects above 900 metres. In addition, fresh areas of poorly bonded windslab will be deposited at the highest levels on North to East aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 20/03/2010

Observed Weather Influences

After a cool night, it was a generally dry but cloudy day. The freezing level was just above the summits, with light winds from the North-West.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The cooler overnight conditions have helped to consolidate the snowpack. At higher levels, the surface of the snowpack was initially hard and icy and then softened throughout the day. At lower levels the snowpack was softer and continued to slowly thaw. Stability is generally good, and the avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Reasonable cover above around 900 metres, becoming patchy below this level.

Comments

A lovely spring day in Glen Coe today.