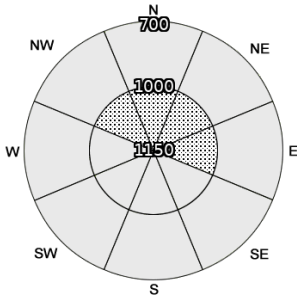


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 23/03/2010 TO 18:00HRS Wed 24/03/2010**



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**

It is expected to be dry overnight with a freezing level around 900 metres. During the day moderate precipitation, falling as sleet or wet snow over the summits, is expected with strong Southerly winds.

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

Unstable snow will be deposited in sheltered locations, mainly on North-West through North to East aspects above 1000 metres. At lower levels the snowpack will continue to thaw and be generally stable. Cornices will be prone to collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

**Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 23/03/2010**

**Observed Weather Influences**

Overnight, showers fell as snow above 700 metres. The day was dry with moderate to strong Southerly winds. The freezing level was around the higher summits.

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

There are some fresh accumulations of moderately bonded windslab in sheltered locations, mainly on North-West through North to East aspects above 900 metres. The tops of gullies and around coire rims are most affected. The old snowpack is generally moist and stable. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Main accumulations are in high NW through N to E coires.

**Comments**

Rock and ice fall remain a potential hazard during the thawing conditions.