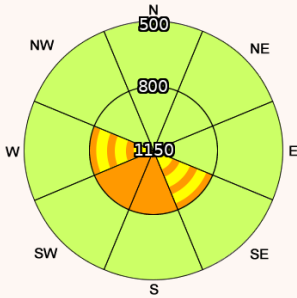


# Southern Cairngorms - Issued 28/03/2010

## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sun 28/03/2010 TO 18:00HRS Mon 29/03/2010



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 will continue to be cold with further snow showers overnight that will ease during the day. Overnight, strong winds will be Northerly becoming moderate from the North-East during the day. The freezing level will be at 350 metres.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

New accumulations of windslab will form in sheltered locations on South to South-Westerly aspects above 800 metres. These accumulations will be unstable where they develop over existing snow cover and have depth. Some cross loaded accumulations may also be found on other aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sun 28/03/2010

### Observed Weather Influences

A windy, cloudy day with occasional showers falling as snow from around 850 metres.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Generally the snowpack stability is good but there are very isolated pockets of soft snow in very sheltered locations above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard is Moderate

### Mountain Conditions

#### Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Patchy to around 800 metres, good cover above.

#### Comments

Wintry weather is set to make a return later this week.