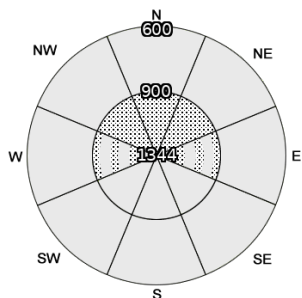


**Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 30/12/2015 TO 18:00HRS Thu 31/12/2015**



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**

Moderate mainly Southerly winds overnight becoming strong during the day. Freezing level dropping to 600 metres during the day. Mainly dry with showers in the afternoon falling as snow above 400 metres.

**Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

The old snowpack will freeze and become stable. Fresh unstable windslab will be deposited mainly in sheltered gullies and around corrie rims on North-West to North-East aspects above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

**Observed Avalanche Hazard - Wed 30/12/2015**

**Observed Weather Influences**

Strong South-West winds and heavy showers falling as snow only on the highest summits this afternoon. Freezing level dropping to 1200 metres.

**Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard**

The remaining old snowpack is generally well consolidated. Some isolated areas of fresh unstable windslab are being deposited mainly in gullies and round corrie rims on North to North-East aspects above 1000 metres. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

**Mountain Conditions**

**Observed Mountain Travel Conditions**

Wet snow except highest summits this afternoon. Clear at times with poor visibility in showers. Winds approx 40 - 50 mph making progress very difficult and strenuous.

**Comments**

Colder weather returning.