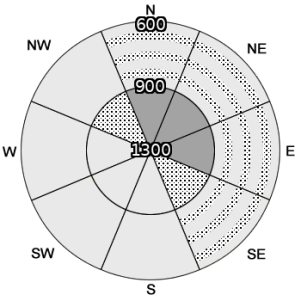


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 15/01/2018 TO 18:00HRS Tue 16/01/2018



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

Snowfall at all levels throughout the forecast period. Winds will be moderate to strong West-South-Westerly. The freezing level will fall to 200 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Accumulations of moderate to poorly bonded windslab will develop and become more widespread on Northerly to Easterly aspects mainly above 900 metres. Areas most affected will be in steep sheltered locations such as coire rims, gully tops, flanks and crag aprons. Fragile cornices will also develop on these aspects. Other areas also affected due to cross loading. Localised windslab will develop on some steep sheltered banks below 900 metres. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Mon 15/01/2018

Observed Weather Influences

A cold day with snow showers throughout the day mainly above 600 metres. Winds were moderate Westerly.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

New accumulations of moderately bonded windslab have developed mostly above 950 metres on Northerly to Easterly aspects. Areas most affected are around coire rims and the tops of gullies and scarp slopes. The persistent weak layer is still evident above 1000 metres on steep and convex Northerly facing slopes and high in corrie back walls but these are protected by strong upper layers. Elsewhere stability is generally good. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Breakable crust making very tiring conditions. Clearer first thing in the morning with poor visibility in clouds and snow for the rest of the day. Winds 20-30 mph progress difficult at times with stronger gusts
Comments	Looking very wintry over the next few days.