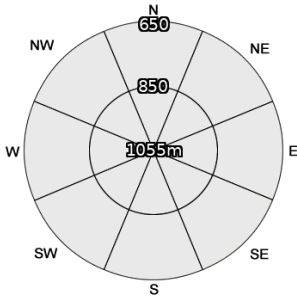


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 26/12/2019 TO 18:00HRS Fri 27/12/2019



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

An active warm front will bring rain to all levels from daybreak onwards, the rain driven on a very strong South to South-West wind. Becoming very mild as the freezing level will remain well above the summits.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack will remain relatively limited, consolidated and stable throughout the period, although becoming rain soaked through the day. Despite the thawing conditions, the snow will remain relatively firm around summit levels, generally softening later in the day. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 26/12/2019

Observed Weather Influences

A chiefly dry, bright and relatively cool day, cloud base above summits and a strong South-East to South wind. Freezing level around 900 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack is well consolidated and generally firm on all aspects and locations. The snow cover is limited, patchy from 650 metres and above with a thin cover of newest snow above 850 metres. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Firm snow - icy in places. Good visibility. Winds 20 -30 mph, progress difficult at times with stronger gusts.

Comments

An unpleasant weekend is forecast; very mild, with heavy rain at times and summit gales.