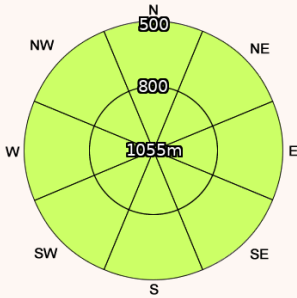


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 20/01/2020 TO 18:00HRS Tue 21/01/2020



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

The strong gale force South-West winds will begin to reduce in strength in the early hours becoming moderate and generally West-South-Westerly, then increasing to strong by the afternoon. Light rain showers expected throughout the period with perhaps a few dry hours in the morning. The freezing level will be around 2000 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The thawing conditions will continue with a further depletion of the snowpack at all levels. Some very localised wet snow instabilities and fragile cornices remaining above 800m mainly on North through East to South aspects. Elsewhere there will be extensive areas of bare ground. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Mon 20/01/2020

Observed Weather Influences

Strong to gale force winds have been South-Westerly. It was dry this morning with mild temperatures. The freezing level was above the summits.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

A much depleted snowpack in the thawing conditions. Patchy wet snow remains with some localised lingering wet snow instabilities above 800 metres on high North through East to Southern aspects. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Diminishing wet snowpack, patchy above 800 metres. Very poor visibility throughout the day on the tops. Winds approx 40 - 50 mph making progress very difficult and strenuous.

Comments

Warm sector conditions will prevail.