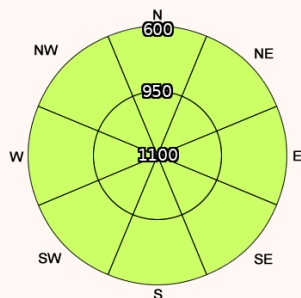


## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 20/01/2020 TO 18:00HRS Tue 21/01/2020



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

Staying damp, with light rain. A steady thaw will persist; the freezing level remaining above summits around 2000m. The very strong West-South-West winds will ease only a little, South-Westerly during the day.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Little change; the wet snowpack will further moisten, consolidate and deplete. On steepest highest elevations above 950 metres some pockets of wet snow instability will exist; these on North through East to South-East aspects. Cornices above these aspects remain suspect in thawing conditions. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Mon 20/01/2020

### Observed Weather Influences

It has been a dry, very mild and generally bright day; some hill fog affected the area in the afternoon as the strong mainly West-South-West winds strengthen in summit areas.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack is becoming well consolidated with soft wet snow now below 800 metres. In steepest, highest elevations above 950 metres some pockets of wet snow instabilities exist, these mainly on North through East to South-East aspects. Snow cover elsewhere becoming depleted with many wind scoured slopes and ridges. The avalanche hazard is Low.

### Mountain Conditions

#### Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Softening snow at all altitudes - some still knee deep at 700m! Clear in the morning with deteriorating visibility with hill fog afternoon Winds 30-40 mph, progress difficult and tiring, blowing us over on occasions

#### Comments