

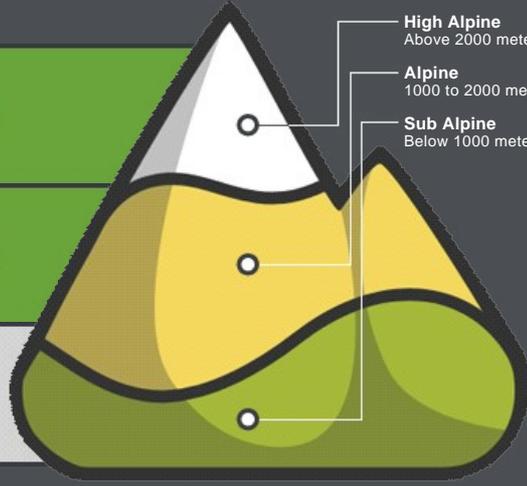
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**No Rating**  
Not enough snow on the ground to create avalanche conditions.

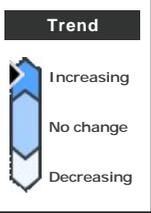
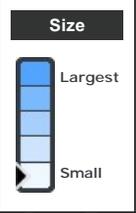
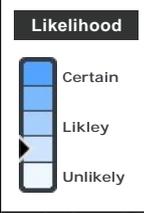
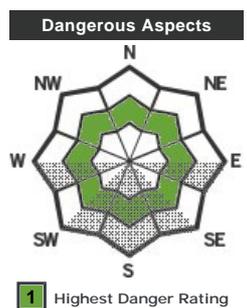



**Avalanche Danger Scale**



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**Primary Avalanche Danger**



**Description:**  
A warm day ahead, the snowpack will soften quickly on all aspects, loose wet avalanches this afternoon. A bit of a freeze overnight, the pack maybe firm for a short time this morning. Remember a cool breeze or cloud can often slow the softening process. Basically stable 'spring corn' skiing/riding conditions, be cautious today, if you encounter unresponsive snow conditions call it a day.



**Current Snowpack Conditions**



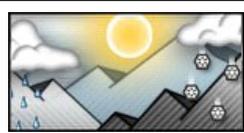
Rain overnight with only a light re-freeze, the backcountry has widespread spring corn snow conditions. You will encounter firm conditions during the morning, softening quickly today. Be cautious of wet slab release on N aspects where the snowpack is shallow. There is the possibility of loose wet avalanche conditions on most aspects from afternoon, perhaps a deterioration in snowpack strength.

**Recent Avalanche Activity**



No real change in backcountry conditions, certainly an increase in creep & glide with solar aspects seeing an increase in wet slide activity. In general the snowpack is fairly stable. No new activity has been witnessed or reported for quite some time.

**Mountain Weather**



Overnight rain will clear to a mainly fine day, hopefully fairly quickly. Freezing level eventually lowering to 1600 m. Winds from the NW at gale this morning, turning W and slowly easing.



For more information go to: <http://www.metservice.com/mountain/index>

**Sliding Danger**



Be aware icy conditions can be encountered at this time of year with hard overnight frosts, take an ice axe and crampons when heading out, useful tools given the changable conditions.