Southern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 19/02/2022

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 19/02/2022 TO 18:00HRS Sun 20/02/2022

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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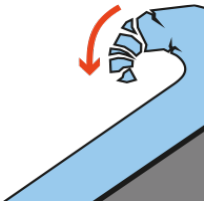
Avalanche Problems



Wind Slab



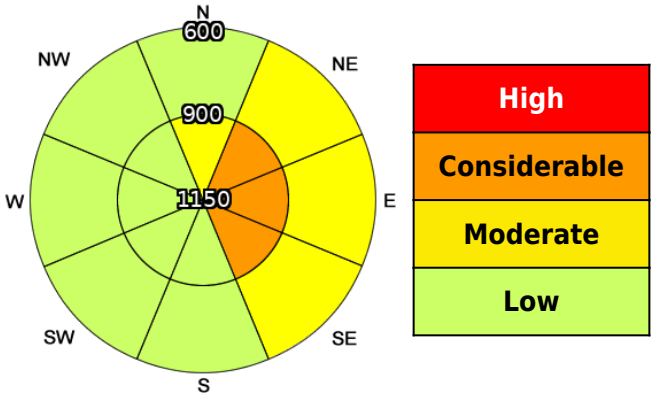
Wet Snow



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Unstable accumulations will develop mainly in wind sheltered locations on North through East to South-East aspects above 900 metres. Here, avalanches are likely with gully tops, scarp slopes and steep convex features most affected. Some instabilities may also be possible in steep lee locations at lower levels. Newly formed cornices will be prone to collapse. Aspects exposed to the strong winds will be scoured or bare. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.



Forecast Weather Influences

Initially remaining cold but around dawn, there will be a temperature spike with the freezing level briefly lifting above the summits before dropping back to around 500 metres by the end of the day. Snow showers throughout, heaviest overnight, easing slightly and turning to rain for a period during the temperature spike. Winds will be very strong, Southerly overnight veering to the West by the afternoon.

Comments

Sunday is unlikely to be a pleasant day on the hill.

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