Northern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 21/02/2022

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 21/02/2022 TO 18:00HRS Tue 22/02/2022

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE MODERATE

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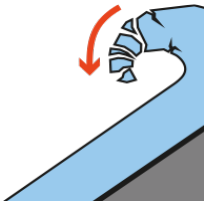
Avalanche Problems



Wind Slab



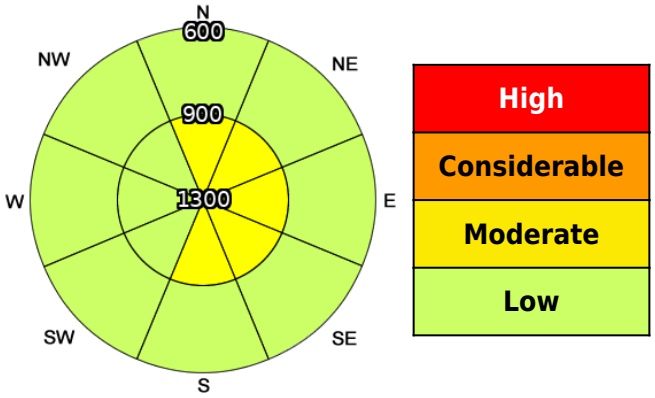
Wet Snow



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Initially, instabilities will remain within recent windslab accumulations. Cornice collapse will also be a potential hazard mainly during the rise in temperature. Areas most affected will be steep and convex North through East to South aspects above 900 metres. On these aspects new accumulations of windslab will develop mostly around coire rims. As it turns cooler from day break onwards the old snowpack will begin to consolidate. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.



Forecast Weather Influences

Gale to storm force Southerly winds overnight, becoming strong Westerly through the day. A dry night followed by snow at summit levels, these will become scattered, light, falling above 400 metres during the day. The freezing level will rise to above the summits overnight, then lower to 600 metres where it will remain for the duration of the day.

Comments

Rumbling sounds heard on a NE aspects in Coire an t-Sneachda this morning. Unable to identify if it was cornice collapse or avalanche activity due to very poor visibility.

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