Southern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 02/03/2022

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 02/03/2022 TO 18:00HRS Thu 03/03/2022

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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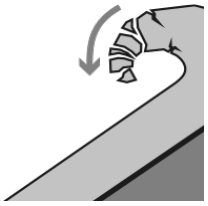
Avalanche Problems



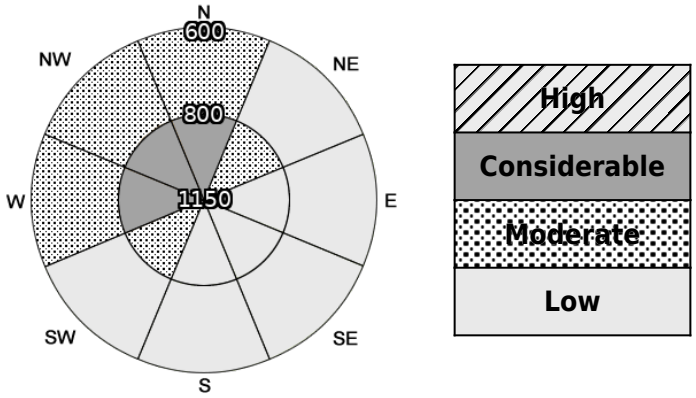
Wind Slab



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Moderately to weakly bonded windslab will rapidly form in wind sheltered locations on mainly West to North aspects above 800 metres with localised, moderately bonded deposits forming below this altitude. Fragile cornices will form above these slopes. Some cross-loading of South-West and North-East aspects will also occur above 800 metres. Elsewhere the snow will tend to be well bonded and stable. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.



Forecast Weather Influences

Heavy snowfall above 750 metres overnight, easing during the day and turning to rain below 1100 metres. Gale force South-Easterly winds overnight, gradually easing to fresh Southerly by the end of the afternoon. 750 metre freezing level overnight, rising to 1200 metres by mid-morning and then 1100 metres during the afternoon.

Comments

Heavy overnight snowfall forecast for the Southern half of the forecast area: Extremely careful route choice required on Thursday.

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