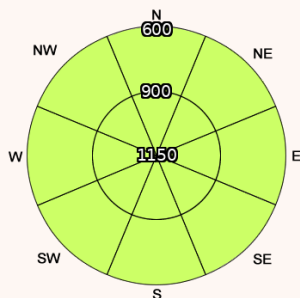


Southern Cairngorms - Issued 15/03/2022

Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 15/03/2022 TO 18:00HRS Wed 16/03/2022



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
Very High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. Numerous very large, often extremely large natural avalanches can be expected.
High	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. In some cases, numerous large, often very large sized natural avalanches can be expected.
Considerable	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
Moderate	Very large sized natural avalanches are unlikely. Human triggering possible in indicated steep places.
Low	Only small and medium sized natural avalanches are possible. Human triggering possible in steep, extreme terrain.

Forecast Weather Influences

The freezing level will fluctuate slightly overnight around the summits, then dropping to 800 metres before settling around 1000 metres for the afternoon. A mix of light snow and rain. Winds expected to become a Westerly gentle breeze during the day.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Little change expected. There will be occasional shallow pockets of new snow otherwise the majority of older snow will remain firm, well bonded and stable. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 15/03/2022

Observed Weather Influences

A cold day with a dusting of new snow above 900 metres. Southerly gale force winds.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The majority of the older snow has refrozen, becoming firm and often icy. There is a cosmetic dusting of new snow above 900 metres with the ground mostly bare elsewhere. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Firm snow-ice on most aspects. Good visibility, occasional cloudy. Winds 30-40 mph, progress difficult and tiring, blowing us over on occasions.

Comments

Snow may be softening around 900 metres but expect it to be icy at higher elevations.