

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE LOW

Avalanche Hazard Forecast for Thursday 31/03/2022

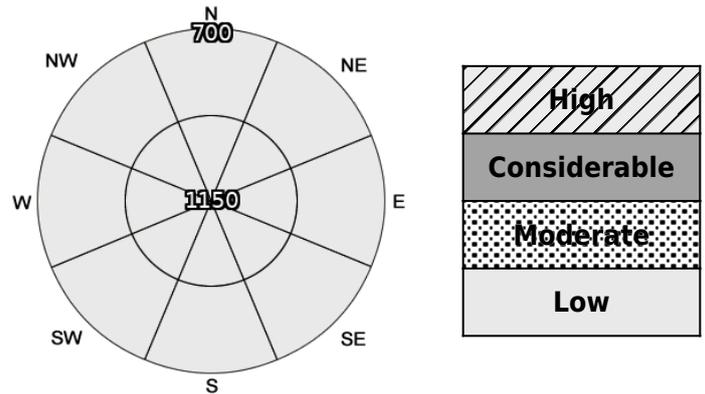
Avalanche Problems



Wind Slab

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

The existing snowpack, which will mainly exist in the higher Northerly and Easterly corries will remain firm and icy at all altitudes and aspects. North-Easterly variable winds and light falls of new snow later in the day may form isolated areas of unstable windslab in wind sheltered locations such as gullies and around corrie headwalls. These accumulations are not expected to be deep or extensive but bonding will be poor where they form on re-frozen old snow. The avalanche hazard will be Low.



Forecast Weather Influences

The cold, fresh to strong North to North-Easterly airflow will continue to affect the area. It will remain mainly dry with the possibility of some light scattered snow showers later in the day. Amounts of new snow are expected to be limited. The overnight freezing level will be around 300 metres rising to 550 metres by the end of the day.

Comments

Cold arctic conditions will continue with very light falls of new snow possible later in the day. The snowpack will remain firm and icy giving serious consequences in the event of an uncontrolled slip or fall. Crampons and ice axe along with the skill to use them, are essential for any form of snow travel due to the unforgiving nature of the snow at present. Fresh cornices, if they form, will be fragile.



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