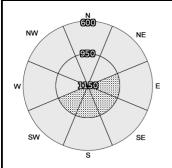
# Southern Cairngorms - Issued 31/03/2022

### Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 31/03/2022 TO 18:00HRS Fri 01/04/2022



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probabilty
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

There will be further light snow showers at all levels, some overnight but mostly during the afternoon. Winds will remain strong Northerlies overnight but backing and easing during the day to give a gentle breeze from the West.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Areas of moderately bonded windslab will be found on wind sheltered East through South to South-West aspects above 950 metres. Greatest hazard will be found on steep terrain around corrie rims and gully tops mainly on the highest hills along the Northern boundary of the forecast area. Elsewhere, occasional drifts at lower levels with older snow very hard and icy. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 31/03/2022

### **Observed Weather Influences**

Heavy snow showers to all levels. Winds were strong from the North.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Localised accumulations of unstable windslab are forming in wind sheltered locations only on South-East to South-West aspects above 950 metres. Mostly affected are sharply defined corrie rims and gully tops, particularly towards the Northern boundary of the forecast area. New accumulations are also found below this altitude but depth and distribution are not particularly extensive at present. Elsewhere exposed terrain is very firm and icy. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

#### Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Very hard snow-ice on exposed windward slopes. Cloudy on the tops with some bright spells. Winds 20-30 mph progress difficult at times with stronger gusts.
Comments	Older snow is very firm and icy. Caution required in places.