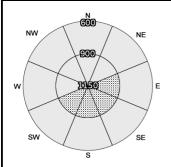
Southern Cairngorms - Issued 09/04/2022

Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 09/04/2022 TO 18:00HRS Sun 10/04/2022



Hazard Leve	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.
Considerabl	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
Moderat	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

Very light snow showers dying out during the evening to give a cloudy but dry day. Fresh Westerly winds overnight easing to become light, variable West-North-Westerly. 600 metre freezing level overnight, gradually rising to 975 metres by the end of the forecast period.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Localised accumulations of moderately bonded windslab will be encountered in wind sheltered locations on East through South to South-West aspects above 900 metres. Steeper locations such as gully tops, scarp slopes and around sharply defined corrie rims will be most affected. Soft accumulations at lower elevations will start to consolidate as the freezing level gradually rises. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 09/04/2022

Observed Weather Influences

Light snow showers on strong North-Westerly winds. Freezing level around 700 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Localised accumulations of unstable windslab are present in wind sheltered locations on East through South to South-West aspects above 900 metres. Steeper terrain is particularly affected, especially sharply defined corrie rims, scarp slopes and gully tops. Soft, unconsolidated snow is also present at lower elevations but is lying on bare ground. Elsewhere at elevation, the old snow tends to be wind scoured, firm and icy. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Knee deep snow at 800m - Trail breaking required. Good visibility first thing, poor in frequent snow showers. Winds 20-30 mph progress difficult at times with stronger gusts.
Comments	Trail breaking required - take a mate with youor two!