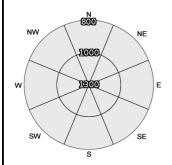
Northern Cairngorms - Issued 17/04/2022

Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sun 17/04/2022 TO 18:00HRS Mon 18/04/2022



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

Light rain overnight on strong Southerly winds. During the day winds will be South-Westerly, rain will turn to occasional light snowfall above 1000 metres as the freezing level falls to summit levels during the afternoon.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

There will be a dusting of new snow above 1000 metres.

As it turns cooler the old snowpack will become firm and remain well bonded and stable at all altitudes. The most widespread accumulations will be above 1000 metres around coire back walls and high plateau areas. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sun 17/04/2022

Observed Weather Influences

A dry cloudy day with occasional sunny spells and strong Southerly winds. Summit temperatures were plus 4 degrees C at midday.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The stable snowpack continues to thaw at all altitudes. Patchy snow fields remain on most aspects above 1000 metres. The most widespread accumulations are around coire back walls and high plateau areas. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Diminishing snowpack is most widespread above 1000m, very patchy below, firm on steep Northerly facing slopes, soft elsewhere. Cloudy on the tops with some bright spells. Winds approx 40 - 50 mph making progress very difficult and strenuous at summit levels.

Comments

This is the last Avalanche Report for this season. We would like to thank everyone their support. Have a great summer.