Southern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 30/12/2023

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 30/12/2023 TO 18:00HRS Sun 31/12/2023

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE MODERATE

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Avalanche Problems



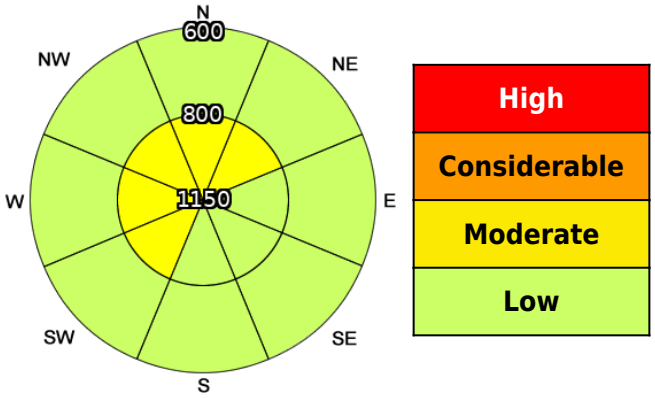
Wind Slab



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Localised accumulations of moderately bonded windslab will be present on South-West through North-West to North-East aspects above 800 metres. Worst affected areas will include steep, wind sheltered features such as gully tops and corrie rims above 1000 metres. Small, fragile cornices will have formed. Locations exposed to the strong winds will be scoured and stable. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.



Forecast Weather Influences

The snowfall will turn briefly to rain during the evening on all but the highest summits, returning to snow above 800 metres by midnight. It will be mainly dry during daylight hours. Strong South-Easterly winds during the evening, rapidly easing by midnight. Becoming light North-Easterly during the afternoon. Freezing level around 850 metres during the day.

Comments

Highly variable conditions underfoot from soft snow, through breakable crust, to snow-ice and water-ice.

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