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Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 19/01/2024

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 19/01/2024 TO 18:00HRS Sat 20/01/2024

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

Avalanche Hazard Forecast for Saturday 20/01/2024

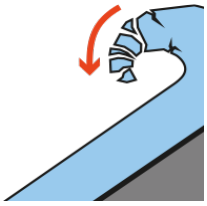
Avalanche Problems



Wind Slab



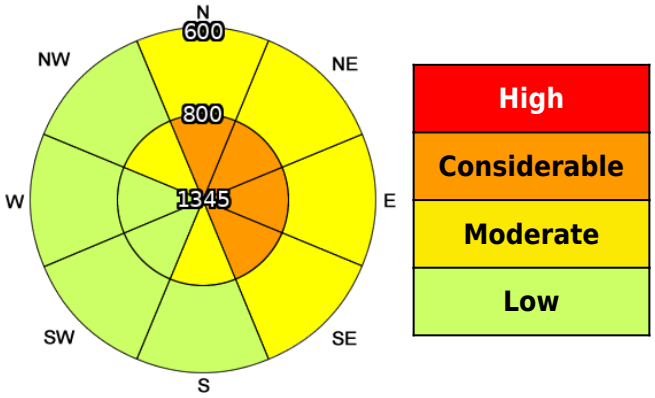
Wet Snow



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Further deposits of unstable windslab will build in sheltered areas; greatest accumulations will be on North through East to South-East aspects above 800 metres. Avalanches are likely due to continual weak windslab deposition at higher altitudes and the development of instabilities at mid-altitudes as snow turns to rain. Fragile cornices will continue to build above these aspects. North-West aspects will also be affected. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.



Forecast Weather Influences

Winds will be gale force or stronger South-South-Westerly. A period of significant snowfall is expected overnight, easing around dawn; showers during the day especially afternoon. The freezing level will be around 650 metres overnight rising during the early morning to around 1100 metres.

Comments

Avalanches are likely during this stormy period. Significant continual drifting at higher levels and snow turning to rain from below mid altitudes.

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