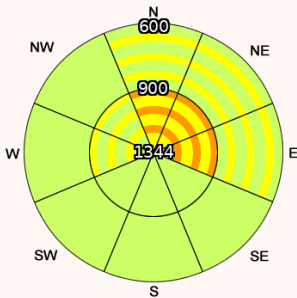


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Thu 31/12/2015 TO 18:00HRS Fri 01/01/2016



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
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

Snow showers overnight above 200 metres followed by a mainly dry day. Strong South-West winds backing South-East during the day. Freezing level 400 metres overnight rising to 600 metres during the day.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Fresh unstable windslab will be deposited with greatest accumulations in gullies and round corrie rims on North to East aspects above 900 metres. During the day there will be a redistribution of snow onto West to North-West aspects. The older snowpack will remain frozen and stable. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Thu 31/12/2015

Observed Weather Influences

Moderate South-East winds. Dry until mid-afternoon then snow showers. Freezing level around 700 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The old snowpack is frozen and stable. There are some localised accumulations of unstable windslab mainly in sheltered gullies and around corrie rims on North-West to North-East aspects above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Hard frozen old snow with new snow on top in places. Clear in the morning with poor visibility in clouds and snow afternoon. Winds approx 10 - 20 mph.

Comments

Crampons useful on the refrozen old snow today.