Northern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

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FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 01/01/2016 TO 18:00HRS Sat 02/01/2016

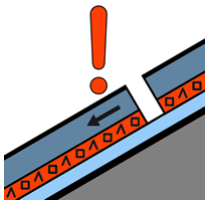
THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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Avalanche Problems



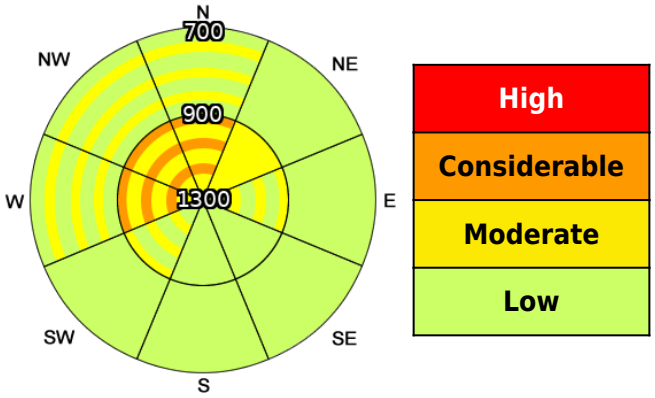
Wind Slab



Persistent Weak Layers

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

New windslab will develop on Westerly to Northerly aspects above 900 metres. This will be weakly bonded especially where it gains significant depth and overlies the old firm snowpack. Areas most affected will be around gully tops, corrie rims and crag aprons. More localised windslab will accumulate in other areas due to cross loading. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable



Forecast Weather Influences

Snowfall overnight above 700 metres. During the day snowfall will continue but turn increasingly to sleet at lower levels, but remain as snow over the summits. Winds will be strong South-Westerly and the freezing level will steadily rise to around the summits by the end of the day.

Comments

Very icy paths and stream crossings. Blizzard conditions expected tomorrow.

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