Northern Cairngorms

Issued 20/01/2016

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 20/01/2016 TO 18:00HRS Thu 21/01/2016

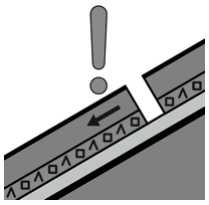
THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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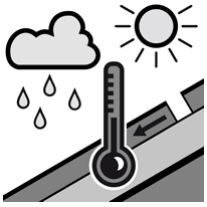
Avalanche Problems



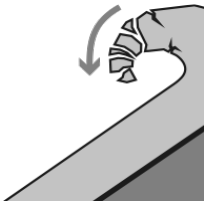
Wind Slab



Persistent Weak Layers



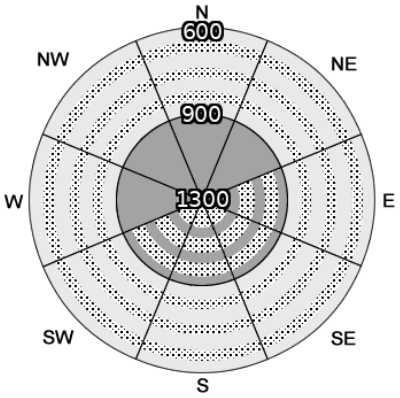
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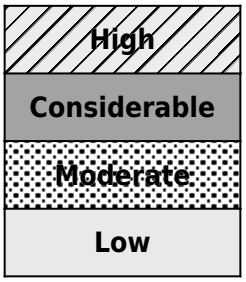


Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack will increasingly moisten, instabilities that exist on all aspects but mainly steep West through North to North-Easterly aspects above 900 metres will weaken further and here avalanches are likely. Large cornices that overhang these aspect are likely to collapse, travelling to corrie floors. At lower levels the moist snowpack will be generally stable except for steep places where the snowpack will be moderately stable. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable





Forecast Weather Influences

Southerly winds will gradually increase in strength overnight becoming strong South-South-Easterly in the day then veering Southerly. Dry overnight, precipitation falling as snow at first above 900 metres then rain at all levels. Freezing level 500 metres overnight rising well above the summits by midday.

Comments

All change to a milder, wetter and very windy period.

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