Northern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 19/02/2016

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 19/02/2016 TO 18:00HRS Sat 20/02/2016

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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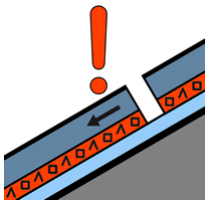
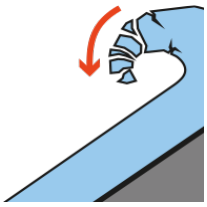
Avalanche Problems

Wind Slab



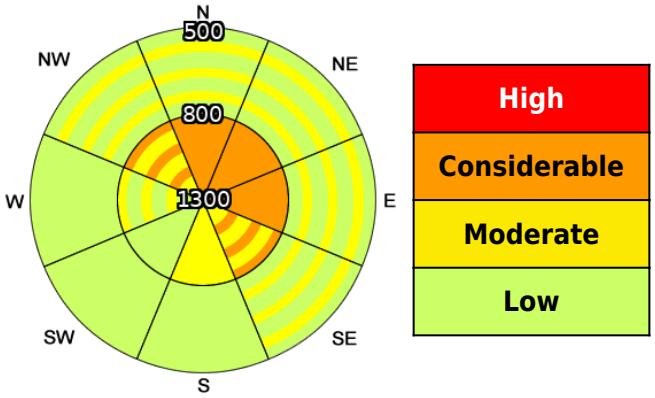
Persistent Weak Layers



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Widespread unstable windslab will build on Northerly through East to South-Easterly aspects above 800 metres, where avalanches are likely. North-West and Southerly aspects will also be affected due to cross loading. Gullies, approach slopes and corrie rims will be most affected. Unstable cornices will also form above these aspects. Above 500 metres localised unstable deposits will be in many steep wind protected places. Many slopes are wind scoured. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable



Forecast Weather Influences

Winds will be strong West-South-West to Westerly throughout the forecast period. Snowfall, sometimes heavy is expected overnight and throughout the day above 200 metres. Freezing level will lower from summit levels to 400 metres during the night and throughout the day.

Comments

Wind scoured and bare on many aspects. Localised drifts. Very stormy with snow for the next days.

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