Northern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 24/12/2016

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 24/12/2016 TO 18:00HRS Sun 25/12/2016

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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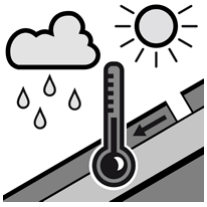
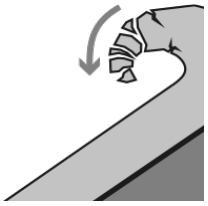
Avalanche Problems



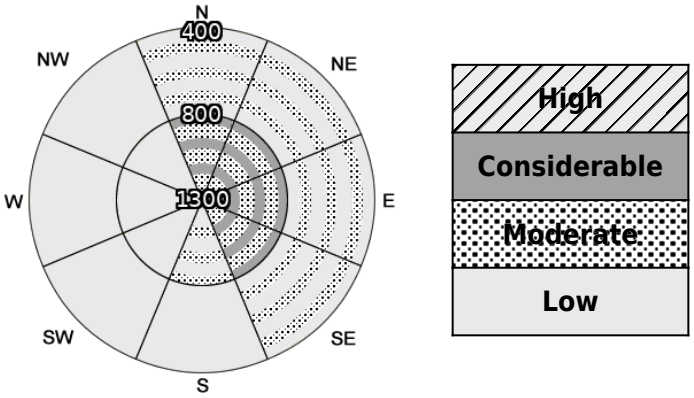
Wet Snow



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack will rapidly thaw at all altitudes. Instabilities will develop and avalanches are likely within areas of steep terrain on North through East to South-East aspects mostly above 800 metres. Localised instabilities will affect steep sheltered features below this altitude. Cornices will be unstable. Elsewhere the thin snow cover will diminish. Later in the day the snowpack will begin to consolidate in the cooler temperatures. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable



Forecast Weather Influences

Rain and drizzle at all levels as the freezing level rises to well above the summits overnight and through the early part of the day. Towards the end of the day turning cooler with rain turning to snowfall above 700 metres. Winds will be gale force West-South-Westerly.

Comments

Snowpack instabilities expected to be mostly during the night and early part of the day.

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