Northern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 03/03/2017

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 03/03/2017 TO 18:00HRS Sat 04/03/2017

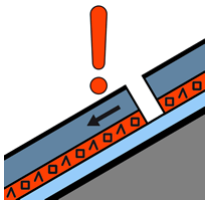
THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE MODERATE

Avalanche Hazard Forecast for Saturday 04/03/2017

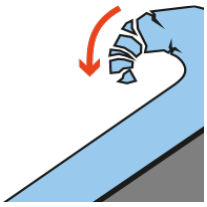
Avalanche Problems



Wind Slab



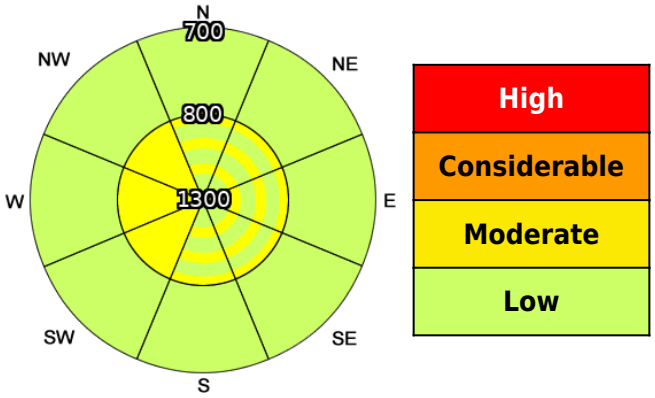
Persistent Weak Layers



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Initially moderately to poorly bonded windslab will persist on steep North-East to South-East aspects, before becoming more localised as the wind erodes these areas. Some redistribution of snow accompanied by snowfall with new windslab developing on South-West to North-West aspects above 800 metres. Instabilities will be most significant in steep terrain where new accumulations overlie the old snowpack. Other aspects affected by cross loading. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.



Forecast Weather Influences

Dry for the first part of the night before snow showers arrive during the early hours, continuing through the day. Moderate East winds will increase to strong, easing a little towards the end of the day. The freezing level will be around 700 metres.

Comments

Generally good cover on the plateau for ski travel.

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