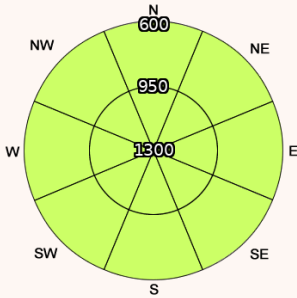


# Northern Cairngorms - Issued 18/12/2017

## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 18/12/2017 TO 18:00HRS Tue 19/12/2017



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
<b>Very High</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. Numerous very large, often extremely large natural avalanches can be expected.
<b>High</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. In some cases, numerous large, often very large sized natural avalanches can be expected.
<b>Considerable</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
<b>Moderate</b>	Very large sized natural avalanches are unlikely. Human triggering possible in indicated steep places.
<b>Low</b>	Only small and medium sized natural avalanches are possible. Human triggering possible in steep, extreme terrain.

### Forecast Weather Influences

Moderate strength South - West winds throughout the forecast period. No precipitation is expected. Freezing level will be well above summits.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack will become softer in the warmer temperatures with a gradual thaw, however it will continue to consolidate and will be generally stable on all aspects and at all levels. Some surface sloughs may occur on the steepest slopes. The avalanche hazard will be Low

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Mon 18/12/2017

### Observed Weather Influences

A mild and dry day with a cool Westerly wind at summit levels, calm below 1000 and in the corries.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The refrozen snowpack is consolidated and stable in all locations. The avalanche hazard is Low

### Mountain Conditions

#### Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Firm with some breakable crust at all levels, tiring trail breaking conditions. Good visibility. Winds approx 10 - 20 mph fresh, cooling.

#### Comments

Remaining mild.