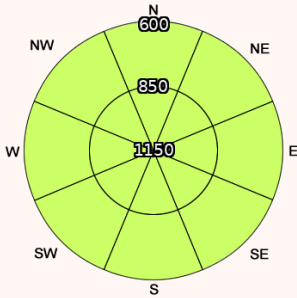


Southern Cairngorms - Issued 24/03/2018

Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 24/03/2018 TO 18:00HRS Sun 25/03/2018



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

Forecast Weather Influences

Remaining cold with the freezing level around 500 metres. A dry morning but light snow showers forecast in the afternoon. Winds will be fresh in strength initially from the West but veering West-North-West in the afternoon.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Light new accumulations may form on East and South-East aspects above 600 metres later in the day but these are not expected to be significant. The snowpack will remain firm and well bonded on all aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 24/03/2018

Observed Weather Influences

A dry and sunny day. Cold overnight but becoming slightly warmer in the strong sun. Winds were moderate to fresh from the West.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack has refrozen at all levels and is well bonded and stable on all aspects. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Steep, good snow ice conditions, mostly icy at higher elevations. Good visibility. Winds approx 10 - 20 mph fresh, cooling

Comments

Becoming firm and icy underfoot, serious run out potential on steeper slopes with rocks.