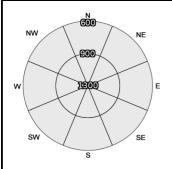
# Northern Cairngorms - Issued 15/02/2019

## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 15/02/2019 TO 18:00HRS Sat 16/02/2019



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probabilty
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

Strong South-Westerly winds will ease to moderate during the day. Light rain and summit snow during the night, this will clear to leave a dry day. The freezing level will remain above the summits, turning a little cooler by the end of the day.

## Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Any new snow amounts will be insignificant. The snowpack will continue to thaw at all levels and remain moist but generally stable throughout. Greatest amounts are on North-East to South-Easterly aspects above 900 metres. Surface instabilities on very steep slopes and rock fall from cliffs onto slopes below will continue to be a hazard. Remaining cornices will be unstable. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

# Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 15/02/2019

#### Observed Weather Influences

A mild sunny day with gusty strong South-South-Westerly winds. The summit temperature was as high as 8 degrees Celsius during the morning.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack is thawing at all levels and remains soft and moist but generally stable throughout. Greatest amounts are on North-East to South-Easterly aspects above 900 metres. Surface instabilities on very steep slopes and rock fall from cliffs onto slopes below continue to be a hazard. Remaining cornices are unstable. The avalanche hazard is Low.

#### Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions	Diminishing snowpack, greatest amounts above 900m. Mostly sunny with good visibility. Winds approx 50 - 60 mph progress very difficult with potential to be knocked over.
Comments	Continuing mild over the next few days with some short spells of cooler weather.