Glencoe

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 17/12/2019

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 17/12/2019 TO 18:00HRS Wed 18/12/2019

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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Avalanche Problems



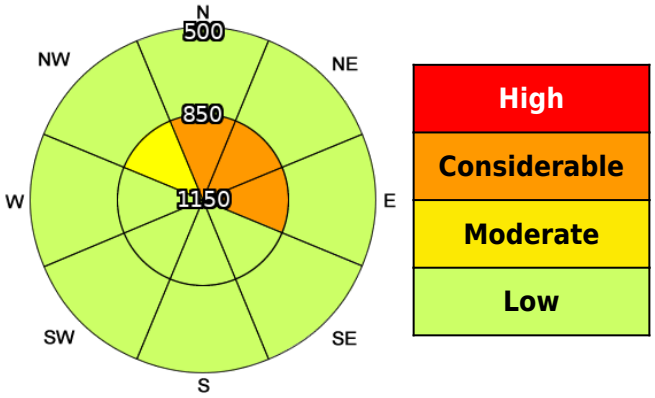
Wind Slab



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

New shallow poorly bonded windslab will form in sheltered locations with the greatest accumulations on North-West to North-East aspects above 850 metres. The older snowpack will remain unstable on North to East aspects. Areas mainly affected will be steep slopes in sheltered locations, particularly corrie rims, gully flanks and exits. Other aspects may also be affected due to cross loading and cornices will be soft and fragile. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable.



Forecast Weather Influences

Ridge of high pressure will affect the area but isolated snow showers are possible early in the morning. South-Easterly winds will be fresh then strengthening during the afternoon. The 600 metre freezing level will rise to 800 metres.

Comments

New snow amounts are not certain, it could be dry all day. Areas of deep drifted snow exist in many places above 800 metres. Reports of walkers falling through a soft cornice yesterday!

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