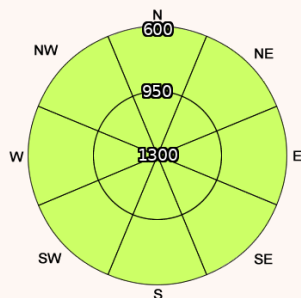


Northern Cairngorms - Issued 23/12/2019

Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 23/12/2019 TO 18:00HRS Tue 24/12/2019



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

Winds will be moderate strength and general South-Westerly, mostly calm at lower elevations. Some very light precipitation falling as the odd snow shower overnight, lying above 800 metres.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Little change is expected, the snowpack will be firm and stable in all areas and on all aspects. Greatest amounts lie above 900 metres on mostly North to Easterly aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Low

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Mon 23/12/2019

Observed Weather Influences

Some precipitation during the morning leaving a dusting of snow above 850m. Then dry. Winds moderate strength at summit levels, calm in the corries. Freezing level around 950 metres.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Snow cover is mostly above 900 metres with greatest amounts on North to North-Easterly aspects. Snow pack is firm and stable in all areas. The avalanche hazard is Low

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Firm snow - ice on most aspects Clear in the morning with poor visibility in clouds during the afternoon. Winds approx 10mph or less

Comments

Staying cold, a very firm snow pack, icy in places. Serious run-outs onto rocks for any trips and falls. But good, calm and wintry condition.