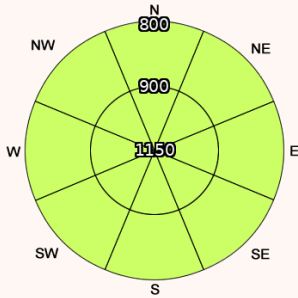


Southern Cairngorms - Issued 27/12/2019

Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 27/12/2019 TO 18:00HRS Sat 28/12/2019



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

Remaining mild with the freezing level above the summits and light rain at all levels. Gale force winds from the South-South-West throughout the day.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

There will be little change to the current conditions with the snow cover continuing to thaw and soften but remaining stable. Greatest amounts will be found on North-West through North to East aspects above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 27/12/2019

Observed Weather Influences

A very mild day with the freezing level above the summits and rain at all levels. Winds were strong from the South-East.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The snowpack is slowly softening but remaining stable. Greatest amounts of snow remain above 900 metres on North-West through North to East aspects. Snow cover has been depleted at lower levels with little left below 800 metres. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Diminishing snowpack, good above 800 metres. Cloud base was at 700 metres all day. Winds 20 -30 mph progress difficult at times with stronger gusts.

Comments

Continuing mild with a poor weather forecast for Saturday.