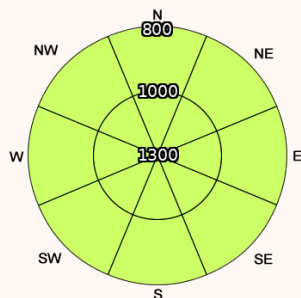


Northern Cairngorms - Issued 31/12/2019

Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Tue 31/12/2019 TO 18:00HRS Wed 01/01/2020



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

A dry day is expected. Winds will be strong South-South-Westerly. Freezing level well above the summits but inversion conditions will maintain cooler temperatures at lower elevations.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Little change, the remaining snow will be firm and stable in all areas. Greatest amounts above 900 metres on North to Easterly aspects. The avalanche hazard will be Low

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Tue 31/12/2019

Observed Weather Influences

A clear cold day with a moderate strength South-Westerly winds on the tops, calmer in the corries. Freezing level above the summits but colder air at lower levels due to inversion conditions. A dry day.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The remaining snow is firm, icy and stable in all areas. Greatest amount lie above 900 metres on North to Easterly aspects. The avalanche hazard is Low

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Firm snow - ice on aspects where snow lies, serious runouts onto rocks for any slips and falls. Good visibility. Winds approx 10 - 20 mph fresh and cooling.

Comments

A fine day for the last one of the year. Best wishes to all for Hogmanay and the New Year, from NC forecast team.