Northern Cairngorms

Avalanche Hazard Forecast

Issued 15/01/2020

FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Wed 15/01/2020 TO 18:00HRS Thu 16/01/2020

THE AVALANCHE HAZARD WILL BE CONSIDERABLE

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Avalanche Problems



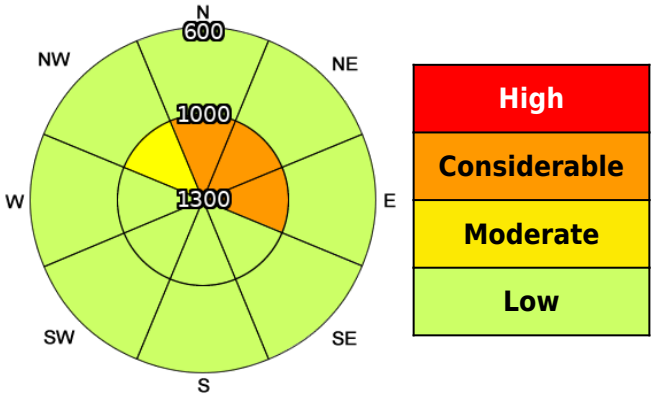
Wind Slab



Cornices

Forecast Snow Stability & Avalanche Hazard

Windslab accumulations that are present on steep Northerly to Easterly aspects mostly above 1000m, will become more unstable as the day progresses with avalanches likely, steep wind sheltered coire back walls, ridge flanks and gully exits will be most affected. New windslab building on N to E aspects above 1000m will be generally stable. Elsewhere, snowpack stability will be good or terrain wind scoured. Cornices will be weak and liable to collapse. The avalanche hazard will be Considerable



Forecast Weather Influences

Winds will be gale force West- South-Westerly overnight backing to Southerly by morning, then South-South-Easterly for the rest of the forecast period. Freezing level around 800 metres overnight then at summit levels and to 1400m during the day. Precipitation overnight and during the day will fall as snow above 600m then sleet and snow above 900 metres in the day.

Comments

Wind lessening a bit, snow above 1000-1100m -

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