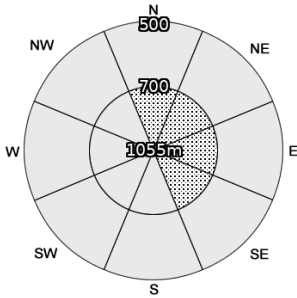


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 29/02/2020 TO 18:00HRS Sun 01/03/2020



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

Snow showers will continue throughout the forecast period. However, they are not expected to be particularly extensive. The freezing level will be around 600 metres. Winds will be quite variable in direction during the night, becoming Westerly through the day.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Extensive areas of older moderately bonded windslab will remain. Some instabilities will exist in these deposits on North to East aspects above 800 metres. Fresh areas soft poorly bonded windslab will be deposited on these and South-East aspects through the day, however, these fresh areas are not expected to be particularly extensive or deep, and should generally be avoidable. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 29/02/2020

Observed Weather Influences

Overnight the freezing level rose above the summits before dropping to around 600 metres during the day. After a few snow showers during the morning it was a dry afternoon. The wind was from the South.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The brief thaw and return to colder conditions has helped to stabilise the snowpack. However, some instabilities remain in the windslab found on steep North to East aspects above 750 metres. There were some shallow and localised areas of soft unstable windslab deposited on these aspects during the morning. The avalanche hazard is Moderate.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Little snow in the glens, hard going in deep snow at medium levels, some higher ridges blown clear. Poor in the snow during the morning, good visibility in the afternoon. Winds approx 10 - 20 mph.

Comments

Good winter conditions in Torridon at the moment.