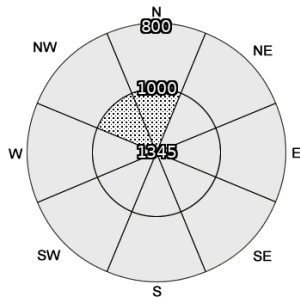


Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Sat 08/05/2021 TO 18:00HRS Sun 09/05/2021



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

Showers will continue with the freezing level around 1200m, rising above the summits late on Sunday. South-Easterly winds will remain moderate to strong.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Localised instabilities will be present, mainly on aspects sheltered from the South-Easterly winds on North-West and North aspects above 1000m. On Ben Nevis especially gully areas will be particularly affected. Elsewhere in all other areas the snowpack will be generally stable. The avalanche hazard will be Moderate

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Sat 08/05/2021

Observed Weather Influences

Snow showers above 900m with strong South-Easterly winds

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Localised fresh windslab has formed in areas sheltered from the South-Easterly winds. Notably, this was observed in the Observatory Gully area on Ben Nevis. In all other areas, the snowpack is moderately to well bonded throughout. The avalanche hazard is Moderate

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Poor visibility at times during the day with some strong winds

Comments

Forecasts will end the winter, with the expectation that the freezing level will stay above the summits and the snowpack will slowly thaw, deplete and consolidate from Sunday evening.