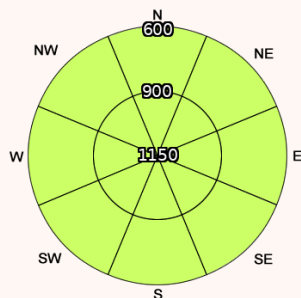


Southern Cairngorms - Issued 20/12/2021

Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Mon 20/12/2021 TO 18:00HRS Tue 21/12/2021



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

Little change to the current weather. A temperature inversion will persist with low cloud and hill fog over the area. Light variable Northerly winds are forecast.

Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The remaining patchy snow will be firm, well bonded and stable throughout. Any areas out of the sun will potentially be very icy underfoot. Greatest amounts of snow are to be found on North and East aspects above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

Observed Avalanche Hazard - Mon 20/12/2021

Observed Weather Influences

There was a broken cloud base from 700 metres with many areas in sunshine for most of the morning. The temperature difference between the glens and the summits were not as great as recent days but it was still very cold out of the sun. Virtually windless on the tops.

Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The patchy snow remains firm and well bonded. Largest areas are mainly to be found on North to East facing slopes above 900 metres. The avalanche hazard is Low.

Mountain Conditions

Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Icy paths and hillsides. Good visibility. Winds approx 10mph or less.

Comments

Two full depth avalanches on South aspects reported over the weekend. Snow noticeability softer where exposed to the sun. Date of avalanche occurrence unknown.