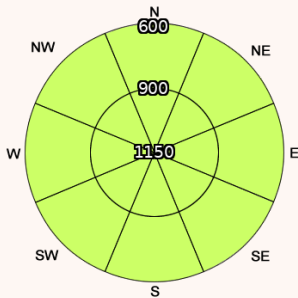


# Southern Cairngorms - Issued 14/01/2022

## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 14/01/2022 TO 18:00HRS Sat 15/01/2022



Hazard Level	Avalanche Probability
<b>Very High</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. Numerous very large, often extremely large natural avalanches can be expected.
<b>High</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches will occur. In some cases, numerous large, often very large sized natural avalanches can be expected.
<b>Considerable</b>	Natural and human triggered avalanches possible, in some cases large, in isolated cases very large sized natural avalanches are possible.
<b>Moderate</b>	Very large sized natural avalanches are unlikely. Human triggering possible in indicated steep places.
<b>Low</b>	Only small and medium sized natural avalanches are possible. Human triggering possible in steep, extreme terrain.

### Forecast Weather Influences

A cloudy but dry day is expected. The freezing level will initially be over the summits but it will drop to around the summits by the end of the afternoon. Winds, strengthening from the South-West to become moderate in strength.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The remaining snow will continue to slowly thaw but will be generally well bonded and stable on all aspects. Largest areas of snow will be found in North to East facing corries above 900 metres. Falling rock and ice from steep terrain will remain a hazard during prolonged thaw conditions. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 14/01/2022

### Observed Weather Influences

A dull start to the day but the hills were generally cloud free by early afternoon. Freezing levels remain above the summits. Winds were negligible.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

The patchy snow cover is thawing at all levels with the majority of remaining snow now soft but well consolidated. There is little snow below 900 metres with largest patches found above this level in North to Easterly facing corries. The avalanche hazard is Low.

### Mountain Conditions

#### Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Diminishing snowpack. Good visibility. Winds approx 10mph or less.

#### Comments

Freezing level will drop but only expected to be around the summits by the end of Saturday afternoon.