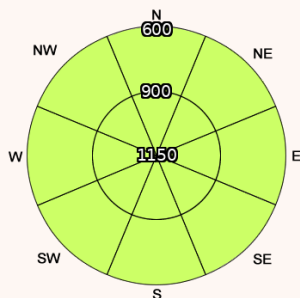


# Southern Cairngorms - Issued 21/01/2022

## Avalanche Hazard Forecast - FOR PERIOD 18:00HRS Fri 21/01/2022 TO 18:00HRS Sat 22/01/2022



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

Another dry day is expected with the freezing levels remaining above the summits. Strong winds, initially Westerly but backing to the West-South-West in the afternoon.

### Forecast Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Little change expected. Remaining snow will be firm, well bonded and stable. Some softening of the snow is likely later in the afternoon. Greatest amounts will be found in North to East facing corries above 900 metres and towards the main Cairngorms. The avalanche hazard will be Low.

## Observed Avalanche Hazard - Fri 21/01/2022

### Observed Weather Influences

A clear and dry day. Much milder than of late, +7.7 degrees celsius recorded at 930 metres. Winds were fresh from the North-West.

### Observed Snow Stability and Avalanche Hazard

Remaining snow is very firm, well bonded and stable. Greatest amounts were around North to East aspects above 900 metres in the main Cairngorms. The avalanche hazard is Low.

### Mountain Conditions

#### Observed Mountain Travel Conditions

Firm snow - ice on some aspects. Good visibility. Winds approx 10 - 20 mph fresh, cooling.

#### Comments

The old snow ice is very firm and icy with short run-outs. Trips and slips will potentially have serious consequences.