

2013 No. 2085 (W. 204)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The M4 Motorway (Kenfig Viaduct, Bridgend) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2013

Made 22 August 2013

Coming into force 2 September 2013

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant lengths of the London - South Wales Motorway (M4) (hereinafter referred to as “the motorway”), are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the motorway should be prohibited and restricted by reason of works proposed to be executed thereon.

Title, Interpretation and Commencement

The Welsh Ministers, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 14(1), (4) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1) and of all other enabling powers(2), make this Order.

1.This Order comes into force on 2 September 2013. Its title is The M4 Motorway (Kenfig Viaduct, Bridgend) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2013.

2.—(1) In this Order:

“the lengths of the motorway” (“*y darnau o’r draffordd*”) means those lengths of the motorway specified in Schedules 1 to 3 to this Order;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means that period commencing at 20:00 hours on 2 September 2013 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed.

(2) Any reference in this Order to a numbered article or Schedule is a reference to the article or Schedule bearing that number in this Order.

Prohibitions and Restrictions

3. Subject to the provisions of article 14, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit to be driven any vehicle in either the eastbound or westbound carriageway of the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

4. Whilst movement of traffic is, by article 3, prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, but pursuant to article 14, not prohibited in the westbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed in lanes 2 and 3 of the westbound carriageway of the motorway specified in Schedule 1 in any direction other than eastwards.

5. Subject to the provisions of article 14, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle with a width of or exceeding 1.99 metres to proceed in lane 2 of the contraflow specified in article 4.

6. Whilst movement of traffic is, by article 3, prohibited in the westbound carriageway, but, pursuant to article 14, not prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to proceed in lanes 2 and 3 of the eastbound carriageway of the motorway specified in Schedule 1 in any direction other than westwards.

7. Subject to the provisions of article 14, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle with a width of or exceeding 1.99 metres to proceed in lane 2 of the contraflow specified in article 6.

8. Subject to the provisions of article 14 the hard shoulders adjacent to the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the lengths of the motorway specified in Schedule 2 shall be available for use as traffic lanes.

9. Subject to the provisions of article 14, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 3.

10. Subject to the provisions of article 14, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour in the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 3.

Suspensions

11. Regulation 6(3) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(3) is hereby suspended:

(a) insofar as it relates to lanes 2 and 3 of the westbound carriageway of the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 1 during such times as the prohibition specified in article 4 is in force; and

(b) insofar as it relates to lanes 2 and 3 of the eastbound carriageway of the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 1 during such times as the prohibition specified in article 5 is in force.

12. The provisions of regulation 3 of the Motorway Traffic (Speed Limit) Regulations 1974⁽⁴⁾ insofar as they apply to the lengths of motorway specified in Schedules 1 and 3, are hereby suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 7 and 8 are in operation.

13. Regulation 5 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982⁽³⁾ and the provisions of regulation 9 of those Regulations relating to the driving of vehicles are suspended insofar as they apply to the hard shoulders which are contiguous with the lengths of the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the motorway specified in article 6 and traffic is directed to use the specified hard shoulders.

Application

14. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 apply only during such times and to such extent as the application of the prohibitions and restrictions referred to therein are indicated by traffic signs.

Duration of this Order

15. The maximum duration for this Order shall be 18 months.

Signed under authority of the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated the 22 August 2013

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(1) 1984 c.27; Section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.

(2) By virtue of S.I. 1999/672, article 2 and Schedule 1, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006, these powers are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

(3) S.I. 1982/1163

(4) S.I. 1974/502

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Extent of contraflow

That length of the motorway which extends from a point 500 metres west of the centre-point of the Mawdlam Road Bridge to a point 1.6 kilometres west of the centre-point of the Mawdlam Road Bridge.

SCHEDULE 2

Extent of trafficking of hard shoulder

That length of the motorway which extends from a point 500 metres east of the centre-point of Mawdlam Road Bridge in a point 2.6 kilometres west of the centre-point of the Mawdlam Road Bridge.

SCHEDULE 3

Extent of 30 mph and 50 mph speed limits

That length of the motorway which extends from a point 1.3 kilometres east of the centre-point of the Mawdlam Road Bridge to a point 3.4 kilometres west of the centre-point of the Mawdlam Road Bridge.