WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 177 (W. 51)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A44 Trunk Road (Capel Bangor to Blaengeuffordd, Ceredigion) (Temporary 40 mph and Part-time 20 mph Speed Limits) Order 2017

Made 10 February 2017

Coming into force 15 February 2017

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the Newtown – Aberystwyth Trunk Road (A44) ("the trunk road"), are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the trunk road should be restricted because of the likelihood of danger to the public.

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), make this Order.

Title, Interpretation and Commencement

- 1. This Order comes into force on 15 February 2017 and its title is The A44 Trunk Road (Capel Bangor to Blaengeuffordd, Ceredigion) (Temporary 40 mph and Part-time 20 mph Speed Limits) Order 2017.
 - **2.**—(1) In this Order:

"exempted vehicle" ("cerbyd esempt") means:

(a) any vehicle being used by the emergency services; and

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

- (b) any vehicle being used for naval, military or air force purposes and being driven by a person for the time being subject to the orders of a member of the armed forces of the Crown, who is a member of the special forces—
 - (i) in response, or for practice in responding, to a national security emergency by a person who has been trained in driving at high speeds; or
 - (ii) for the purpose of training a person in driving vehicles at high speeds;

"special forces" ("lluoedd arbennig") means those units of the home forces the maintenance of whose capabilities is the responsibility of the Director of Special Forces or which are for the time being subject to the operational command of that Director;

"the lengths of the trunk road" ("y darnau o'r gefnffordd") means the lengths of the trunk road between Capel Bangor and Blaengeuffordd in the County of Ceredigion specified in the Schedules to this Order.

(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.

Restrictions

- **3.** No person shall drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 20 miles per hour in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1.
- **4.** No person shall drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2.

Suspensions

5. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant lengths of the trunk road specified in the Schedules are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 3 and 4 are in operation.

Application

- **6.**—(1) The restrictions in articles 3 and 4 apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.
- (2) No speed limits imposed by this Order apply to an exempted vehicle.

Duration of this Order

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

Signed under authority of the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated

10 February 2017

Nina Ley Head of Business Unit, Network Management Welsh Government

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 Temporary Part-time 20 mph Speed Limit

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 200 metres east of the centre-point of its junction with the road leading to Ysgol Gynradd Penllwyn, Capel Bangor to a point 200 metres west of that junction.

SCHEDULE 2 Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 41 metres west of the centre-point of its junction with the road leading to Ysgol Gynradd Penllwyn, Capel Bangor to a point 736 metres west of its junction with that road.