WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 96 (W. 37)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The M4 Motorway (Slip Roads at Junction 28 (Tredegar Park), Newport) (Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit) Order 2017

Made 27 January 2017

Coming into force 1 February 2017

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the London – South Wales Motorway (M4) ("the motorway"), are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the motorway should be restricted because of works proposed on or near the motorway.

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 1 February 2017 and its title is The M4 Motorway (Slip Roads at Junction 28 (Tredegar Park), Newport) (Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit) 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 motorway" ("y darnau o'r draffordd") means those lengths of the motorway at Junction 28 (Tredegar Park) in the City of Newport specified in the Schedule to this Order;

"works period" ("cyfnod y gwaith") means that period commencing at 00:01 hours on 1 February 2017 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed.

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

Restriction

3. No person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the lengths of the motorway specified in the Schedule.

Suspensions

4. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant lengths of the motorway specified in the Schedule are suspended during such times as the restriction specified in article 3 is in operation.

Application

- **5.**—(1) The prohibition in article 3 applies only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.
- (2) No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to an exempted vehicle.

Duration of this Order

6. 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 the

27 January 2017

Nina Ley Head of Business Unit, Network Management Welsh Government

SCHEDULE Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit

- 1. The length of the eastbound exit slip road that extends in a north-easterly direction from a point 400 metres in advance of its junction with the A48 to the said junction.
- 2. The length of the eastbound entry slip road that extends in a northerly direction from its junction with the main circulatory carriageway at Junction 28 for a distance of 250 metres, including the adjacent length of dedicated lane from the A467.
- 3. The length of the westbound exit slip road that extends in a south-westerly direction from a point 200 metres in advance of its junction with the main circulatory carriageway at Junction 28 to the said junction, including the adjacent length of dedicated lane to the A48.
- 4. The length of the westbound entry slip road that extends in a south-westerly direction from its junction with the A48 for a distance of 300 metres.