WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A465 Trunk Road (Ebbw Vale West Junction, Blaenau Gwent to Hardwick Roundabout, Monmouthshire) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2018

Made 1 May 2018

Coming into force 7 May 2018

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the A465 Neath to Abergavenny Trunk Road, are satisfied that traffic on specified lengths of the trunk road should be prohibited and restricted because of works proposed on or near the road.

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

Title, Commencement and Interpretation

1. The title of this Order is the A465 Trunk Road (Ebbw Vale West Junction, Blaenau Gwent to Hardwick Roundabout, Monmouthshire) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2018 and it comes into force on 7 May 2018.

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, and section 162 of, 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 armed 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 trunk road" ("y gefnffordd") means the A465 Neath to Abergavenny Trunk Road from Ebbw Vale West Junction in the County of Blaenau Gwent to Hardwick Roundabout in the County of Monmouthshire described in the Schedules to this Order:

"works period" ("cyfnod y gwaith") means the period commencing at 00:01 hours on 7 November 2016 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.** No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to proceed on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1.
- **4.** No person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to make a right hand turn on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2.
- **5.** No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 3.
- **6.** No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4.
- **7.** No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 10 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4.

- **8.** No person may, during the works period, drive, or cause or permit any vehicle to overtake on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4.
- **9.** No person may, during the works period, ride or cause to be ridden any pedal cycle on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5.

Suspension

10. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant lengths of the trunk road specified in article 2 are suspended during such times as the restriction specified in article 6 and 7 is in operation.

Application

- 11.—(1) 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.
- (2) No speed limits imposed by this Order apply to an exempted vehicle.

Duration of this Order

12. The maximum duration for this Order will be 18 months.

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

Dated the 1 May 2018

Richard Morgan Head of Asset Management Standards Welsh Government

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 PROHIBITION OF VEHICLES

That length of the trunk road from a point 37 metres north of the centre of Brynmawr Roundabout to a point 38 metres west of the centre of Glanbaiden Roundabout.

That length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road from a point 38 metres east of the centre of Glanbaiden Roundabout to the start of the Llanfoist exit slip road.

That length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road from a point 45 metres west of the centre point of Hardwick Roundabout to a point 38 metres east of the centre of Glanbaiden Roundabout.

That length of the eastbound trunk road (new alignment lanes) from the centre of the Ebbw Vale West Junction off slip road to a point 37 metres north of the centre of the Brynmawr Roundabout.

That length of the westbound trunk road (new alignment lanes) from a point 37 metres north of the centre of the Brynmawr Roundabout to the centre of the Ebbw Vale West Junction on slip road.

The circulatory carriageway of Glanbaiden Roundabout from its A465 westbound exit arm to its A465 eastbound entry arm.

The circulatory carriageway of Glanbaiden Roundabout from its A465 eastbound exit arm to its A465 westbound entry arm.

SCHEDULE 2 NO RIGHT TURN

No right turn from the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road at Gilwern Junction into Station Road.

SCHEDULE 3 50 MPH SPEED LIMIT

That length of the trunk road from a point 800 metres north west of the centre of the Brynmawr Roundabout to the centre of the Ebbw Vale East Junction on slip road.

SCHEDULE 4

40 MPH SPEED LIMIT, 10 MPH SPEED LIMIT AND NO OVERTAKING

That length of the trunk road from a point 37 metres north of the centre of the Brynmawr Roundabout to a point 800 metres north west of the centre of Brynmawr Roundabout.

SCHEDULE 5 PROHIBITION OF CYCLISTS

That length of the trunk road (new alignment lanes) from the centre of the Ebbw Vale West Junction off slip to a point 37 metres north of the centre of the Brynmawr Roundabout.

That length of the trunk road from a point 37 metres east of the centre of the Brynmawr Roundabout to the eastbound off slip road at Llanfoist Junction on the eastbound lanes and the westbound off slip road at Llanfoist Junction for the westbound lanes.