2022 No. 374 (W. 93)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A470 Trunk Road (North of Cefn-coed-y-cymmer, Merthyr Tydfil) (Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit) Order 2022

Made	24 March 2022
Coming into force	28 March 2022

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the A470 trunk road, are satisfied that traffic on a specified length of the trunk road should be restricted because of works proposed on or near the road.

The Welsh Ministers, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sections 14(1)(a), (4), (7) and 15(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1), make this Order.

Title and commencement

1. The title of this Order is the A470 Trunk Road (North of Cefn-coed-y-cymmer, Merthyr Tydfil) (Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit) Order 2022 and this Order comes into force on 28 March 2022.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

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

^{(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 (c. 32), these functions are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

- (a) any vehicle being used for the purposes described in section 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1); and
- (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 A470 Cardiff to Llangurig trunk road;

"works period" (*"cyfnod y gwaith"*) means the period commencing at 00:01 hours on 28 March 2022 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed.

Restriction

3. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road that extends in a northerly direction from its junction with the A4054 High Street, north of Cefncoed-y-cymmer for a distance of 400 metres.

Application

4. The restriction in article 3 applies only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.

Suspension

5. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the length of the trunk road are suspended during such times as the restriction specified in article 3 is in operation.

⁽¹⁾ Section 87 was amended by the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 (c. 21), Schedule 1, paragraph 55, the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (c. 15), Schedule 4, paragraph 42, the Crime and Courts Act 2013 (c. 22), Schedule 8, paragraph 29(2) and the Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), section 50(4) and (5).

Duration of this Order

6. The Welsh Ministers are satisfied, in accordance with section 15(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, that the execution of works giving rise to this Order will take longer than 18 months. This Order will be revoked on completion of the works.

Signed on behalf of the Deputy Minister for Climate Change, acting under the authority of the Minister for Climate Change, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated

24 March 2022

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