

2018 No. 72 (W. 17)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A494 Trunk Road (Dee Bridge,
Queensferry, Flintshire) (Temporary
50 mph Speed Limit) Order 2018**

Made 19 January 2018

Coming into force 22 January 2018

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the A494 Dolgellau to South of Birkenhead Trunk Road, are satisfied that traffic on a specified length of the trunk road should be restricted because of the likelihood of a danger to the public on or near the road.

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 22 January 2018 and its title is The A494 Trunk Road (Dee Bridge, Queensferry, Flintshire) (Temporary 50 mph Speed Limit) Order 2018.

2.—(1) In this Order:

“exempted vehicle” (“*cerbyd esempt*”) means:

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

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

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 A494 Dolgellau to South of Birkenhead Trunk Road.

(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 drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the length of the northbound carriageway of the trunk road at Queensferry in the County of Flintshire that extends from a point 325 metres north of the centre-point of Queensferry Interchange to a point 1,170 metres north of the centre-point of that Interchange.

Suspension

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

Application

5.—(1) The restriction 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 of this Order shall be 18 months.

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

Dated the

19 January 2018

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