WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2024 No. 1314 (W. 221)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A4810 Steelworks Access Road (Queen's Way), (Llanwern, Newport) (Temporary Speed Limits and Clearway) Order 2024

Made 9 December 2024

Coming into force 16 December 2024

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant length of the A4810 Steelworks Access Road (Queen's Way), are satisfied that traffic on specified lengths of the access road should be prohibited and restricted by reason of the likelihood of danger to the public.

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 and commencement

1. The title of this Order is the A4810 Steelworks Access Road (Queen's Way), (Llanwern, Newport) (Temporary Speed Limits and Clearway) Order 2024 and this Order comes into force on 16 December 2024.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"access road" ("ffordd fynediad") means the A4810 Steelworks Access Road (Queen's Way) as specified in the Schedules to this Order;

^{(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 powers are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

"carriageway" ("cerbytffordd") means that length of the access road which is intended for the passage of vehicular traffic but excludes a lay-by;

"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 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; and

"verge" ("*llain ymyl*") means any part of the access road which is not a carriageway or lay-by.

Prohibitions and restrictions

- **3.** No person may drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour on the length of the access road specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.
- **4.** No person may drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the lengths of the access road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.
- **5.** No person may drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the lengths of the access road specified in Schedule 3 to this Order.
- **6.** Except as provided by article 8, no person may cause or permit any vehicle to stop on the length of the access road specified in Schedule 4 to this Order except on the direction or with the permission of a police constable, police community support officer or civil enforcement officer.
- **7.** No person may cause or permit any vehicle to stop on any verge immediately adjacent to any part of the carriageway comprised in the lengths of the access road specified in Schedule 4 to this Order for the purpose of selling goods from that vehicle.

Suspension

- **8.** Nothing in article 6 applies—
 - (a) so as to prevent a vehicle waiting on any carriageway for so long as may be necessary to enable the vehicle to be used in connection with:
 - (i) any building operation or demolition;
 - (ii) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;
 - (iii) the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the access road or the laying, erection, maintenance, alteration or repair in or near the access road of any sewer or of any main pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of any electronic communications apparatus as defined in paragraph 5 of Schedule 3A to the Communications Act 2003(1);
 - (b) to a vehicle being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes;
 - (c) to a vehicle being used in the service of a local authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties; and
 - (d) to a vehicle stopping when the person in control of it:
 - (i) is required by law to stop;
 - (ii) is obliged to stop in order to avoid an accident; or
 - (iii) is prevented from proceeding by circumstances outside that person's control.

Application

- **9.**—(1) The prohibitions and restrictions in articles 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 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

10. The maximum duration for this Order is 18 months.

Signed on behalf of the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales, one of the Welsh Ministers.

^{(1) 2003} c. 21. Schedule 3A was inserted by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Digital Economy Act 2017 (c. 30).

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Lengths of the Steelworks Access Road (Queen's Way), Llanwern, Newport

SCHEDULE 1

30 MPH Speed Limit

That length of the access road that commences from the western side of the Newport Mechanical Clock roundabout to a point 206 metres east of the centre of the Glan Llyn signal controlled junction.

SCHEDULE 2

40 MPH Speed Limit

That length of the eastbound carriageway of the access road that commences from a point 206 metres east of the centre of the Glan Llyn signal controlled junction to a point 41 metres east of the centre of the Newport Galvanisers signal controlled junction.

That length of the westbound carriageway of the access road that commences from a point 173 metres east of the centre of the Air Products side road access to a point 206 metres east of the centre of the Glan Llyn signal controlled junction.

SCHEDULE 3

50 MPH Speed Limit

That length of the eastbound carriageway of the access road that commences from a point 41 metres east of the centre of the Newport Galvanisers signal controlled junction to a point 50 metres west of the centre of the North Row Junction.

That length of the westbound carriageway of the access road that commences from a point 50 metres west of the North Row Junction to a point 173 metres east of the centre of the Air Products side road access.

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SCHEDULE 4

Clearway

That length of the access road that commences from the western side of the Newport Mechanical Clock roundabout to a point 50 metres west of the North Row Junction, a total distance of 5 kilometres.