

2012 No. 275 (W. 45)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A55 Trunk Road
(Conwy Tunnel, Conwy)
(Temporary Traffic Restrictions &
Prohibitions) (No 2) Order 2012

Made 6 February 2012

Coming into force 19 February 2012

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant lengths of the Chester - Bangor Trunk Road (A55) (hereinafter referred to as “the trunk road”) are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the trunk road should be restricted or prohibited by reason of the likelihood of danger to the public and workforce arising from essential periodic emergency and safety exercises.

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) and of all other enabling powers(2), make this Order.

1. This Order comes into force on 19 February 2012 and its title is The A55 Trunk Road (Conwy Tunnel, Conwy) (Temporary Traffic Restrictions & Prohibitions) (No 2) Order 2012.

2. (1) In this Order:

“exempted vehicle” (*“cerbyd esempt”*) means any vehicle being used for the emergency services or in connection with the exercises giving rise to this Order;

“lengths of the trunk road” (*“y darnau o’r gefnffordd”*) means those lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedules 1 to 5 to this Order;

“exercise period” (*“cyfnod yr ymarferion”*) means that period commencing at 03:00 hours on 19 February 2012 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.

3. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the exercise period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to be driven in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1.

4. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the exercise period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5.

5. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the exercise period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4.

6. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the exercise period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 10 miles per hour in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 3.

7. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the exercise period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle with a width of or exceeding 3.20 metres to proceed in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2.

8. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 shall apply only at such times and to such extent as the application of the prohibitions and restrictions referred to therein are indicated by traffic signs.

9. The provisions of the Special Road Order (Glan Conwy to Conwy Morfa) Regulations 1990(3) are hereby suspended in respect of the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5 during such times as the restriction specified in article 4 is in operation.

10. The provisions of the Special Road Order (Colwyn Bay to Glan Conwy) Regulations 1985(4) are hereby suspended in respect of the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5 during such times as the restriction specified in article 4 is in operation.

11. The provisions of the A55 Trunk Road (Glan Conwy - Conwy Morfa, Conwy County Borough) (Temporary 70 mph Speed Limit) Order 2011(5) are hereby suspended in respect of the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5 during such times as the restriction specified in article 4 is in operation.

12. The maximum duration for this Order shall be 12 months.

Signed under authority of the Minister for Local Government and Communities, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated the 6 February 2012

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Welsh Government

- (1) 1984 c.27; section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.
- (2) 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.
- (3) S.I. 1990/1586
- (4) S.I. 1985/824
- (5) S.I. 2011/2330 (W.245)

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Prohibition of vehicles

1. That length of the main eastbound carriageway of the trunk road which extends from a point at the nose of the eastbound off slip road at Junction 17, Conwy to a point at the nose of the eastbound on slip road at Junction 18, Llandudno Junction Interchange.
2. The entire length of the eastbound on slip road of the trunk road at Junction 17, Conwy.
3. That length of the main westbound carriageway of the trunk road which extends from a point at the nose of the westbound off slip road at Junction 18, Llandudno Junction Interchange, to a point at the nose of the westbound on slip road at Junction 17, Conwy.
4. The entire length of the westbound on slip road of the trunk road at Junction 18, Llandudno Junction Interchange.

SCHEDULE 2

Vehicle Width Restrictions

1. That length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road which extends from a point 30 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 16, Puffin Roundabout to a point at the end of the nose where the eastbound on slip road merges with the main carriageway of the trunk road at Junction 18, Llandudno Junction Interchange.

2. That length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road which extends from a point at the start of the nose where the westbound off slip road diverges from the main carriageway of the trunk road at Junction 18, Llandudno Junction Interchange to a point 30 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 16, Puffin Roundabout.

3. The entire length of the westbound on slip road at Junction 18, Llandudno Junction Interchange.

SCHEDULE 3
Temporary 10 mph Speed Limit

1. That length of the eastbound off slip road of the trunk road at Junction 17, Conwy, which extends from a point 50 metres west of the top of the slip road to a point at the top of the slip road where it abuts the A547 Bangor Road.

2. That length of the westbound off slip road of the trunk road at Junction 18, Llandudno Junction Interchange, which extends from a point 50 metres east of the nosing at the top of the slip road to a point where the slip road abuts the roundabout.

SCHEDULE 4
Temporary 30 mph Speed Limit

That length of the main eastbound carriageway of the trunk road which extends from a point 787 metres east of the eastern portal of the Penmaenbach Headland Tunnel to a point at the nose where the eastbound off slip road at Junction 17, Conwy, diverges from the main carriageway of the trunk road, including the off slip road to a point 50 metres west of the top of the slip road where it abuts the A547, Bangor Road.

SCHEDULE 5
Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit

1. That length of the main westbound carriageway of the trunk road which extends from a point 500 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 19, Glan Conwy Interchange roundabout, to a point at the nose where the westbound off slip road at Junction 18, Llandudno Junction, diverges from the main carriageway of the trunk road.

2. That length of the westbound off slip road of the trunk road at Junction 18, Llandudno Junction Interchange, which extends from a point 50 metres east of the nosing at the top of the slip road to a point where the slip road abuts the roundabout.

3. The entire lengths of the westbound on slip road and eastbound off slip road at Junction 19, Glan Conwy Interchange.

4. That length of the main eastbound carriageway of the trunk road which extends from the centre-point of Red Gables Viaduct over-bridge to a point at the central reserve, 191 metres west of the western portal of Penmaenbach eastbound Headland Tunnel.