

**2012 No. 678 (W. 91)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES**

**The A465 Trunk Road (Dowlais  
Top Roundabout, Merthyr Tydfil)  
(Temporary Traffic Restrictions and  
Prohibitions) Order 2012**

*Made* 2 March 2012

*Coming into force* 12 March 2012

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant lengths of the Neath – Abergavenny Trunk Road (A465) (hereinafter referred to as “the trunk road”), are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the trunk road should be restricted and prohibited by reason of works proposed to be executed thereon.

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 14(1) and (4) 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 12 March 2012. The title to this Order is The A465 Trunk Road (Dowlais Top Roundabout, Merthyr Tydfil) (Temporary Traffic Restrictions and Prohibitions) Order 2012.

2.—(1) In this Order:

“the lengths of the trunk road” (“*y darnau o’r gefnffordd*”) means the lengths of the A465 trunk road at Dowlais Top Roundabout in the County Borough of Merthyr Tydfil specified in the Schedules to this Order;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means that period commencing at 20.00 hours on 12 March 2012 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed;

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

(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 7, no person shall, during the works period, ride, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour, in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1.

4. Subject to the provisions of article 7, no person shall, during the works period, ride, 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 2.

5. Subject to the provisions of article 7, no person shall, during the works period, use or permit the use of a vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, in such a way that it overtakes any other vehicle in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2, during such times as the restriction referred to in article 4 is in force.

6. Subject to the provisions of article 7, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to proceed in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 3.

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

8. The maximum duration of this Order shall be 12 months.

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

Dated the 2 March 2012

*G R Morgan*  
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(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 of the Government of Wales Act 2006, these powers are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

## **SCHEDULES**

### **SCHEDULE 1**

#### **TEMPORARY 40 MPH SPEED LIMIT**

- i) Those lengths of the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the trunk road which extend towards Pant Estate from their junctions with the circulatory carriageway of Dowlais Top Roundabout, a distance of approximately 1600 metres.
- ii) The entire length of the circulatory carriageway of Dowlais Top Roundabout not subject to the temporary closure specified at Schedule 3 (i).

### **SCHEDULE 2**

#### **TEMPORARY 10 MPH SPEED LIMIT AND PROHIBITION OF OVERTAKING**

- i) That length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road which extends from a point where it diverges from the westbound carriageway of the trunk road, a point 100 metres west of its junction with the circulatory carriageway of Dowlais Top Roundabout, to a point on the said circulatory carriageway 20 metres before the exit to the A465/A4060 roundabout.
- ii) That length of the trunk road which extends from a point 55 metres east of its junction with Dowlais Top Roundabout (at exit from Texaco Garage) to a point at its junction with Dowlais Top Roundabout.

### **SCHEDULE 3**

#### **TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF VEHICLES**

- i) That length of the circulatory carriageway of Dowlais Top Roundabout which extends from a point at its junction with the westbound off slip road to a point at its junction with the eastbound on slip road, a distance of approximately 75 metres.
- ii) The entire length of the lay-by adjacent to the eastbound carriageway, west of Dowlais Top Roundabout.
- iii) The entire length of the lay-by adjacent to the westbound carriageway, west of Dowlais Top Roundabout.