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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A470 Trunk Road
(Powys/Merthyr Tydfil County
Boundary to Builth Wells, Powys)
(Temporary Speed Restrictions &
No Overtaking) Order 2016**

Made 11 January 2016

Coming into force 18 January 2016

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the Cardiff – Llangurig Trunk Road (A470) (“the trunk road”), are satisfied that traffic in a specified length of the trunk road should be restricted and prohibited because of works proposed 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) and of all other enabling powers(2), make this Order.

Title, Interpretation and Commencement

1. This Order comes into force on 18 January 2016 and its title is The A470 Trunk Road (Powys/Merthyr Tydfil County Boundary to Builth Wells, Powys) (Temporary Speed Restrictions & No Overtaking) Order 2016.

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 are being driven by a person for the time being subject to the orders of the 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 length of the trunk road” (*“y darn o’r gefnffordd”*) means the length of the trunk road in the County of Powys that extends from the Powys County/Merthyr Tydfil County Borough boundary at Pont Llysiog to its roundabout junction with the A483 at Builth Wells;

“works period” (*“cyfnod y gwaith”*) means intermittent periods commencing at 08:00 hours on 18 January 2016 and ending when the temporary traffic signs for each period of works are removed.

(2) Any reference in this Order to a numbered article is a reference to the article bearing that number in this Order.

Restrictions and Prohibition

3. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the length of the trunk road.

4. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to proceed at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour in the length of the trunk road.

5. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to proceed at a speed exceeding 10 miles per hour in the length of the trunk road.

6. Subject to the provisions of article 8, 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 length of the trunk road during such times as the restriction referred to in article 5 is in operation.

Suspension

7. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant length of the trunk road specified in article 2 are hereby suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 3, 4 and 5 are in operation.

Application

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

Duration of this Order

9. The maximum duration of this Order shall be 18 months.

Signed under authority of the Minister for Economy,
Science and Transport, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated the 11 January 2016

Richard Morgan
Head of Asset Management and Standards
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.