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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A5 and A483 Trunk Roads
(Halton Roundabout, near Chirk,
Wrexham County Borough)
(Temporary Traffic Restrictions &
Prohibitions) Order 2016**

Made 2 March 2016

Coming into force 7 March 2016

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant lengths of the London - Holyhead Trunk Road (A5) and the Swansea - Manchester Trunk Road (A483) (“the trunk roads”), are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the trunk roads should be restricted and prohibited because of works proposed on or near the roads.

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 7 March 2016. Its title is The A5 and A483 Trunk Roads (Halton Roundabout, near Chirk, Wrexham County Borough) (Temporary Traffic Restrictions & Prohibitions) Order 2016.

2. —(1) In this Order:

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

(a) any vehicle being used by the emergency services or in connection with the works giving rise to this Order;

(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 lengths of the trunk roads” (*“y darnau o’r cefnffyrdd”*) means those lengths of the A5 and A483 trunk roads at Halton Roundabout, near Chirk, in the County Borough of Wrexham described in the Schedule;

“works period” (*“cyfnod y gwaith”*) means intermittent periods commencing at 20:00 hours on 7 March 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 Prohibitions

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 in the lengths of the trunk roads.

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

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

6. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the works period, use or permit the use of a vehicle, in such a way that it overtakes any other vehicle in the lengths of the trunk roads 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 lengths of the trunk roads specified in article 2 are hereby suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 4 and 5 are in operation.

Application

8. (1) The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 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.

(2) No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to an exempted vehicle

Duration of this Order

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

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

Dated the 2 March 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.

SCHEDULE

1. The length of the A5 Trunk Road that extends from the centre-point of Halton Roundabout in a southerly direction for 250 metres.

2. The length of the A5 Trunk Road that extends from the centre-point of Halton Roundabout in a westerly direction for 250 metres.

3. The length of the A483 Trunk Road that extends from the centre-point of Halton Roundabout in a northerly direction for 250 metres.