

**2016 No. 860 (W. 217)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES**

**The A494 Trunk Road (Bala,  
Gwynedd) (Temporary Prohibition  
of Vehicles) Order 2016**

*Made* 25 August 2016

*Coming into force* 4 September 2016

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the Dolgellau – South of Birkenhead Trunk Road (A494) (“the trunk road”), are satisfied that all traffic on a specified length of the trunk road should be prohibited by reason of the Bala Triathlon event being held on or near the road.

The Welsh Ministers, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1), make this Order.

**Title, Interpretation and Commencement**

**1.** This Order comes into force on 4 September 2016. Its title is The A494 Trunk Road (Bala, Gwynedd) (Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles) Order 2016.

**2.** —(1) In this Order:

“closure period” (“*y cyfnod cau*”) means that period commencing at 09:30 hours on 4 September 2016 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed;

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

- (i) any public service vehicle;
- (ii) any vehicle being used for police purposes;
- (iii) any vehicle being used for the purpose of fire or ambulance services;
- (iv) any vehicle being used in connection with works to the road or lighting or traffic signs or emergency works to any sewer or to any main or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity, or telecommunications in, or in any land adjacent to, a length of road concerned;
- (v) any vehicle used by an authorised Event official in support of and for safety reasons of the Event;

“exempted persons” (“*personau esempt*”) means a pedestrian who is allowed access to any premises situated on or adjacent to the road, or to any other premises accessible from, and only from, the road;

“the length of the trunk road” (“*y darn o’r gefnffordd*”) means the length of the A494 trunk road in the County of Gwynedd that extends from a point 12 metres south-west of the centre-point of its junction with the road leading to Penllyn Leisure Centre, Bala in a south-westerly direction to a point 6 metres north-east of its junction with the Class 3 road leading to Rhydymain near Ysgol Ieuan Gwynedd.

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

### **Prohibition**

**3.** Subject to the provisions of article 4, no person shall, during the closure period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle or exempted persons, to proceed in the length of the trunk road.

### **Application**

**4.** The prohibition of article 3 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as the application of the prohibition referred to therein is indicated by traffic signs.

### **Duration of this Order**

**5.** The maximum duration of this Order shall be one day.

Signed under authority of the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure.

Dated the 25 August 2016

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(1) 1984 c.27. Section 16A was inserted by the Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Act 1994, Section 1(1). 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.