

2017 No. 231 (W. 64)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A458 Trunk Road (East of
Mallwyd, Gwynedd) (Temporary
30 mph Speed Limit & No
Overtaking) Order 2017**

Made 21 February 2017

Coming into force 27 February 2017

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the Shrewsbury – Dolgellau Trunk Road (A458) (“the trunk road”), are satisfied that traffic in a specified length of the trunk road should be restricted and/or 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⁾, make this Order.

Title, Interpretation and Commencement

1. This Order comes into force on 27 February 2017 and its title is The A458 Trunk Road (East of Mallwyd, Gwynedd) (Temporary 30 mph Speed Limit & No Overtaking) Order 2017.

2.—(1) In this Order:

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

- (a) any vehicle being used by the emergency services; and

⁽¹⁾ 1984 c.27; Section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 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.

(b) any vehicle being used for naval, military or air force purposes and being driven by a person for the time being subject to the orders of a 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 home 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 east of Mallwyd in the County of Gwynedd that extends from a point 1.1 kilometres east of Nant-yr-Ehedydd Bridge to a point 1.55 kilometres east of that bridge;

“works period” (*“cyfnod y gwaith”*) means that period commencing at 07:00 hours on 27 February 2017 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed.

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

Restriction and Prohibition

3. No person shall, during the works 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.

4. 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.

Suspension

5. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant length of the trunk road specified in article 2 are suspended during such times as the restriction specified in article 3 is in operation.

Application

6.—(1) The restriction and prohibition in articles 3 and 4 apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.

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

Duration of this Order

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

Signed under authority of the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated the 21 February 2017

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