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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A55 Trunk Road (Junction 23
(Llanddulas) to Junction 22 (Old
Colwyn), Conwy County Borough)
(Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and
Restrictions) Order 2018**

Made 11 September 2018

Coming into force 17 September 2018

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant lengths of the A55 Trunk Road, are satisfied that traffic on specified lengths 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, Commencement and Interpretation

1. The title of this Order is the A55 Trunk Road (Junction 23 (Llanddulas) to Junction 22 (Old Colwyn), Conwy County Borough) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2018 and it comes into force on 17 September 2018.

(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, and section 162 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to, the Government of Wales Act 2006(c.32), these powers are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

2. (1) In this Order:

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

- (a) any vehicle being used for the purposes described in section 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Act(2) or in connection with the works giving rise to this Order;
- (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 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 trunk road” (*“y gefnffordd”*) means the A55 Chester to Bangor Trunk Road;

“works period” (*“cyfnod y gwaith”*) means the period commencing at 00:01 hours on 17 September 2018 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.

(2) Section 87 was amended by the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 (c.21), Schedule 1, paragraph 55, the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (c.15), Schedule 4, paragraph 42, the Crime and Courts Act 2013 (c.22), schedule 8, paragraph 29(2) and the Deregulation Act 2015 (c.20), section 50(4) and (5).

Prohibitions

3. No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed in the westbound or eastbound carriageway on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

4. (1) Whilst movement of traffic is by article 3 prohibited on the westbound carriageway but pursuant to article 12, not prohibited on the eastbound carriageway, no person shall drive, cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (i) proceed in the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road in any direction other than westwards;
- (ii) proceed in any direction other than westwards through either of the gaps in the central reservation of the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.

(2) Whilst movement of traffic is by article 3 prohibited in the eastbound carriageway but pursuant to article 12, not prohibited on the westbound carriageway, no person may drive, cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (i) proceed in the offside lane of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road in any direction other than eastwards;
- (ii) proceed in any direction other than eastwards through either of the gaps in the central reservation of the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.

5. No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to proceed on the length of the slip road specified in Schedule 3 to this Order.

6. No person may, 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 on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 6 to this Order.

7. No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to be driven, bearing a load greater than 3.2 metres wide on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 7 to this Order.

Restrictions

8. No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4 to this Order.

9. No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4 to this Order.

10. No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5 to this Order.

Suspensions

11. The provisions of Regulation 8 of The Special Road (Llanddulas to Colwyn Bay) Regulations 1984(3) are suspended insofar as they apply to the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order during such times as the prohibitions specified in article 4 are in operation.

12. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedules 4 and 5 to this Order are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 8, 9 and 10 are in operation.

Application

13. (1) The prohibitions and restrictions in articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.

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

Duration of this Order

14. The maximum duration for this Order is 18 months.

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

Dated

11 September 2018

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Welsh Government

(3) S.I. 1984/1719.

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Temporary Contraflow

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 200 metres west of the centre-point of Junction 23 (Llanddulas) to a point 200 metres east of Rainbow Bridge (Llanddulas).

SCHEDULE 2

Limits of the central reserve gaps

The gap in the central reservation on the western crossover that extends from a point 200 metres east of Rainbow Bridge (Llanddulas) to a point 400 metres east of Rainbow Bridge (Llanddulas).

The gap in the central reservation on the eastern crossover that extends from a point 480 metres west of the centre-point of Junction 23 (Llanddulas) to a point 330 metres west of the centre-point of Junction 23 (Llanddulas).

SCHEDULE 3

Temporary Prohibition of vehicles

The length of the westbound entry slip road at Junction 23 (Llanddulas) from the roundabout with the A547 to the point it merges with the main A55 carriageway.

SCHEDULE 4

Temporary 30 or 40 mph speed limit

The length of the trunk road that extends from the centre-point of Junction 21 (Colwyn Bay), to the centre-point of Junction 23A (Pensarn).

SCHEDULE 5

Temporary 50 mph speed limit

The length of the trunk road that extends from the permanent 50/70 mph speed restriction at Rainbow Bridge (Llanddulas) to the centre-point of Junction 23A (Pensarn).

SCHEDULE 6

Prohibition of Overtaking

The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 150 metres east of the end of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 22 (Old Colwyn) for approximately 3.5 kilometres to the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 23 (Llanddulas).

The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 150 metres west of the westbound layby at Junction 23 (Llanddulas) westwards for approximately 3.9 kilometres.

SCHEDULE 7

Vehicle width restriction 3.2 metres and over

The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa) to the end of the nosing where the eastbound on slip road joins the main A55 carriageway at Junction 23 (Llanddulas).

The lengths of the eastbound entry slip roads at Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa), Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction), Junction 19 (Llandudno), Junction 20 (Brompton Avenue), Junction 21 (Colwyn Bay) and Junction 22 (Old Colwyn).

The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the nosing of the start of the westbound layby from the westbound carriageway east of Junction 24 (Abergele) to where the westbound onslip road merges with the main westbound carriageway at Junction 22 (Old Colwyn).

The lengths of the westbound entry slip roads at Junction 24 (Abergele) and Junction 23a (Pensarn).