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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A40 Trunk Road (St Clears,
Carmarthenshire to Haverfordwest,
Pembrokeshire) (Temporary Speed
Restrictions & No Overtaking)
Order 2023**

Made 13 June 2023

Coming into force 21 June 2023

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant length of the A40 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 and commencement

1. The title of this Order is the A40 Trunk Road (St Clears, Carmarthenshire to Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire) (Temporary Speed Restrictions & No Overtaking) Order 2023 and this Order comes into force on 21 June 2023.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

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

(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 functions are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

- (a) any vehicle being used for the purposes described in section 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984⁽¹⁾;
- (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 A40 London to Fishguard trunk road;

“works period” (*“cyfnod y gwaith”*) means intermittent periods commencing at 00:01 hours on 21 June 2023 and ending when the temporary traffic signs for each period of works are permanently removed.

Restrictions and prohibition

3. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

4. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 10 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk road specified in the Schedules to this Order.

5. 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 the Schedules to this Order during such times as the restriction specified in article 4 is in operation.

(1) 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).

Application

6.—(1) The restrictions and prohibition in articles 3, 4 and 5 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.

Suspension

7. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of motor vehicles on the lengths of the trunk road specified in the Schedules to this Order are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 3 and 4 apply.

Duration of this Order

8. The maximum duration of this Order is 18 months.

Signed on behalf of the Deputy Minister for Climate Change, acting under the authority of the Minister for Climate Change, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated

13 June 2023

Nicci Hunter
Business Team Leader
Welsh Government

SCHEDULE 1

Temporary 40 mph or 10 mph speed limit and no overtaking

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 211 metres west of its junction with St Clears Roundabout to a point 375 metres east of its junction with the unclassified road U6385 at Llanddewi Velfrey (including the circulatory carriageways of Llanboidy Road and Blackbridge Roundabouts, Whitland).

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point approximately 1.11 kilometres west of its junction with the unclassified U6385 to Lampeter Velfrey to a point 27 metres east of its junction with Robeston Wathen Roundabout (including the circulatory carriageway of Penblewin Roundabout).

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 37 metres west of its junction with Robeston Wathen Roundabout to a point 36 metres east of its junction with Canaston Bridge Roundabout.

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 39 metres west of its junction with Canaston Bridge Roundabout to a point approximately 1.2 kilometres north-east of the centre-point of its western junction with the county road known as Cartlett, Haverfordwest.

SCHEDULE 2

Temporary 10 mph speed limit and no overtaking

The length of the trunk road that extends from its junction with St Clears Roundabout to a point 211 metres west of that junction.

The length of the trunk road at Llanddewi Velfrey that extends from a point 375 metres east of its junction with the unclassified road U6385 for approximately 1.49 kilometres.

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 27 metres east of its junction with Robeston Wathen Roundabout to a point 37 metres west of that roundabout, including its circulatory carriageway.

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 36 metres east of its junction with Canaston Bridge Roundabout to a point 39 metres west of that roundabout, including its circulatory carriageway.

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point approximately 1.2 kilometres north-east of the centre-point of its junction with the county road known as Cartlett to its junction with Scotchwell Roundabout, Haverfordwest.