

2023 No. 915 (W. 142)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A465 Trunk Road (Llangua to
Hardwick Roundabout,
Abergavenny, Monmouthshire)
(Temporary Speed Restrictions &
No Overtaking) Order 2023

Made 21 August 2023

Coming into force 29 August 2023

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant length of the A465 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 A465 Trunk Road (Llangua to Hardwick Roundabout, Abergavenny, Monmouthshire) (Temporary Speed Restrictions & No Overtaking) Order 2023 and this Order comes into force on 29 August 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, article 2 and Schedule 1, 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 A465 Newport to Shrewsbury trunk road;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means intermittent periods commencing at 09:30 hours on 29 August 2023 and ending when the temporary traffic signs 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 length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2 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 length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order during such times as the restriction referred to in article 4 is in operation.

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.

(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).

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

Suspension

7. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of 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 are in operation.

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

21 August 2023

Nicci Hunter
Business Team Leader
Welsh Government

SCHEDULE 1 Temporary 40 mph speed limit

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 97 metres south-west of the centre-point of the access to the dwelling known as Crossing Cottage, near Llangua to a point 435 metres north-east of the centre-point of the Wern Gifford junction, near Pandy.

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 330 metres south-west of the centre-point of the Wern Gifford junction, near Pandy to the northern tip of the traffic island at the A465/A40 junction, near Hardwick Roundabout, Abergavenny.

SCHEDULE 2 Temporary 10 mph speed limit and no overtaking

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 97 metres south-west of the centre-point of the access to the dwelling known as Crossing Cottage, near Llangua to the northern tip of the traffic island at the A465/A40 junction, near Hardwick Roundabout, Abergavenny.