

2011 No. 2168 (W. 235)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The M4 Motorway (Ebbw River
Bridge, Junction 27, High Cross to
Junction 28, Tredegar Park,
Newport) (Temporary Traffic
Restrictions and Prohibitions) Order
2011**

Made 1 September 2011

Coming into force 12 September 2011

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant lengths of the London to South Wales Motorway (M4) (hereinafter referred to as “the motorway”), are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the motorway should be prohibited and restricted by reason of works proposed to be executed thereon.

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 14(1), (4) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984⁽¹⁾ and of all other enabling powers⁽²⁾, hereby make this Order.

1. This Order comes into force on 12 September 2011 and its title is the M4 Motorway (Ebbw River Bridge, Junction 27 High Cross to Junction 28, Tredegar Park, Newport) (Temporary Traffic Restrictions and Prohibitions) Order 2011.

2. —1) In this Order:

“exempted vehicle” (“*cerbyd esempt*”) means any vehicle being used by the emergency services or in connection with the works giving rise to this Order;

“the lengths of the motorway” (“*y darnau o’r draffordd*”) means those lengths of the M4 motorway Junction 27 High Cross to Junction 28, Tredegar Park, Newport specified in the Schedules to this Order;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means that period commencing at 20:00 hours on 12 September 2011 and ending when temporary traffic signs are permanently removed.

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

3. Subject to the provisions of article 11, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit to be driven any vehicle other than an exempted vehicle, in one or more lanes of the westbound carriageway of the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 2.

4. Whilst movement of traffic is, by article 3, prohibited in one or more lanes of the westbound carriageway, but pursuant to article 11, not prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed in lane 3 of the eastbound carriageway of the motorway in any direction other than westwards.

5. Subject to the provisions of article 11, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to travel along the lengths of the motorway road specified in Schedule 1.

6. Subject to the provisions of article 11, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle with a width of or exceeding 1.98 metres to proceed in the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 2 during times of contraflow works.

7. Subject to the provisions of articles 10 and 11, 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 motorway specified in Schedule 3.

8. Subject to the provisions of articles 10 and 11, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 4.

9. Regulation 6(3) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(3) is hereby suspended insofar as it relates to the offside lane of the westbound carriageway of the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 2 during such times as the prohibition specified in article 4 is in force.

10. The provisions of regulation 3 of the Motorway Traffic (Speed Limit) Regulations 1974(4) insofar as they apply to the lengths of motorway specified in Schedules 3 and 4, are hereby suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 7 and 8 are in operation.

11. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 apply only during such times and to such extent as the application of the prohibition and restriction referred to therein are indicated by traffic signs.

12. The maximum duration for this Order shall be 18 months.

Signed under authority of the Minister for Local Government and Communities, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated the 1 September 2011

G. MORGAN

Head of infrastructure Specialist Services
Welsh Government

- (1) 1984 c.27; Section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.
- (2) 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.
- (3) S.I. 1982/1163
- (4) S.I. 1974/502

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

EXTENT OF PROHIBITION OF ALL VEHICLES

The entire length of the eastbound on slip road at Junction 28, Tredegar Park.

The entire length of the westbound on slip road at Junction 27, High Cross.

SCHEDULE 2

EXTENT OF CONTRAFLOW AND PROHIBITION OF VEHICLES OF OR EXCEEDING 1.98 METRES IN WIDTH

That length of lane 3 of the eastbound carriageway of the motorway which extends from the western crossover situated 63 metres east of Duffryn Motorway Underpass to the eastern crossover situated 225 metres west of the centre Pensarn Wood Underbridge.

SCHEDULE 3

EXTENT OF 30 MPH SPEED LIMIT

The lengths of the motorway which extend :-

- i) Western Crossover – from a point 150 metres west to a point 150 metres east of the centrepoint of the crossover situated 63 metres east of Duffryn Motorway Underpass.
- ii) Eastern Crossover – from a point 150 metres west to a point 150 metres east of the centrepoint of the crossover situated 225 metres west of the centreline of Pensarn Wood Underbridge.

SCHEDULE 4

EXTENT OF 50 MPH SPEED LIMIT

That length of the motorway which extends a point 257 metres east of the Pensarn Wood Underbridge to a point at the nosing of the westbound on slip road at Junction 28, Tredegar Park.