

2015 No. 1634 (W. 213)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The M4 Motorway (Junction 32
(Coryton) to Junction 33 (Capel
Llanilltern), Cardiff) (Temporary
Traffic Prohibition & Restrictions)
Order 2015**

Made 25 August 2015

Coming into force 1 September 2015

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the London – South Wales Motorway (M4) (“the motorway”), are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the motorway should be prohibited or restricted because of works proposed on or near the motorway.

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) and of all other enabling powers(2), make this Order.

Title, Interpretation and Commencement

1. This Order comes into force on 1 September 2015 and its title is The M4 Motorway (Junction 32 (Coryton) to Junction 33 (Capel Llanilltern), Cardiff) (Temporary Traffic Prohibition & Restrictions) Order 2015.

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 motorway in the City and County of Cardiff specified in the Schedules to this Order;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means the period commencing at 20:00 hours on 1 September 2015 and

ending when the 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.

Prohibition

3. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to be driven in the lengths of the motorway specified in Schedule 1.

Restrictions

4. Subject to the provisions of article 8, no person shall, during the works period, ride, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the lengths of the motorway specified in Schedule 2.

5. Subject to the provisions of article 8, the hard shoulder adjacent to the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the lengths of the motorway specified in Schedule 2 shall be available for use as a traffic lane.

Suspension

6. The provisions of regulation 3 of the Motorway Traffic (Speed Limit) Regulations 1974(3), insofar as they apply to the lengths of the motorway specified in Schedule 2, are hereby suspended during such times as the restriction referred to in article 4 is in operation.

7. Regulation 5 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(4) and the provisions of Regulation 9 of those Regulations relating to the driving of vehicles are suspended insofar as they apply to the hard shoulder which is contiguous with the lengths of the motorway specified in Schedule 2 and traffic is directed to use the specified hard shoulder.

Application

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

Duration of this Order

9. The maximum duration of this Order shall be 18 months.

Signed under authority of the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated the

25 August 2015

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- (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. 1974/502
- (4) S.I. 1982/1163

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Temporary prohibition of vehicles

The length of the main westbound carriageway of the motorway that extends from the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 32 to the nosing of the westbound entry slip road at Junction 33.

The entire length of the westbound entry slip road at Junction 32.

The length of the main eastbound carriageway of the motorway that extends from the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 33 to the nosing of the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 32.

The entire length of the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 33.

SCHEDULE 2

Temporary 50 mph speed limit & trafficking of hard shoulder

The length of the westbound carriageway of the motorway that extends from the nosing of the westbound entry slip road at Junction 32 to a point 400 metres west of the centre-point of Radyr Footbridge.

The length of the eastbound carriageway of the motorway that extends from the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 33 to a point 400 metres east of the centre-point of Radyr Footbridge.