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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A48 Trunk Road (East of
Pensarn Roundabout, Carmarthen,
Carmarthenshire) (Temporary
Speed Restrictions & No
Overtaking) Order 2017**

Made 26 May 2017

Coming into force 5 June 2017

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the A48 London to Fishguard Trunk Road, are satisfied that traffic in a specified length 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, Interpretation and Commencement

1. This Order comes into force on 5 June 2017 and its title is The A48 Trunk Road (East of Pensarn Roundabout, Carmarthen, Carmarthenshire) (Temporary Speed Restrictions & No Overtaking) Order 2017.

2.—(1) 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, these powers are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

(a) any vehicle being used by the emergency services; and

(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 length of the A48 London to Fishguard trunk road in the County of Carmarthenshire that extends from its junction with the eastern side of Pensarn Roundabout, Carmarthen to its junction with the B4310 leading to Llanddarog;

“works period” (*“cyfnod y gwaith”*) means the period commencing at 00:01 hours on 5 June 2017 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.

Restrictions & Prohibition

3. 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 trunk road.

4. No person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the length of the trunk road.

5. No person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 10 miles per hour in the length of the trunk road.

6. No person shall, during the works period, use or permit the use of a vehicle in such a way that it overtakes any other vehicle in the length of the trunk road during such times as the restriction referred to in article 5 is in operation.

Suspensions

7. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant length of the trunk road are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 3, 4 and 5 are in operation.

Application

8. —(1) The restrictions and prohibition in articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 apply only during such times and to such extent as the indicated by traffic signs.

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

Duration of this Order

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

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

Dated the

26 May 2017

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