

2018 No. 492 (W. 84)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A5 Trunk Road (Chirk Bypass,
Wrexham County Borough)
(Temporary Traffic Prohibitions &
Restrictions) Order 2018**

Made 27 March 2018

Coming into force 1 April 2018

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant length of the A5 London to Holyhead Trunk Road, are satisfied that traffic on a specified length of the trunk road should be prohibited and/or restricted 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), (7) and 124 of, and paragraph 27 of Schedule 9 to, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1), make this Order.

Title, Commencement and Interpretation

1. The title of this Order is the A5 Trunk Road (Chirk Bypass, Wrexham County Borough) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions & Restrictions) Order 2018 and it comes into force on 1 April 2018.

2.—(1) In this Order:

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

- (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

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

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 A5 London to Holyhead Trunk Road, Chirk Bypass in the County Borough of Wrexham that extends from the Wales/England border to its junction with the southern side of Halton Roundabout;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means intermittent periods commencing at 19:00 hours on 1 April 2018 and ending when the temporary traffic signs for each period of works are removed.

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

Prohibitions and Restrictions

3. No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to proceed on the length of the trunk road.

4. No person may, during the works period, ride or cause or permit any pedal cycle to be ridden on the length of the trunk road.

5. No person may, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road.

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

7. 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.

Suspension

8. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the length of the trunk road are suspended

during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 5 and 6 are in operation.

Revocation

9. The A5 Trunk Road (Chirk Bypass, Wrexham County Borough) (Temporary 50 mph Speed Limit & No Overtaking) Order 2017(2) and The A5 Trunk Road (Chirk Bypass, Wrexham County Borough) (Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit & No Overtaking) Order 2018(3) are revoked.

Application

10.—(1) The prohibitions and restrictions in articles 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.

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

Duration of this Order

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

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

Dated

27 March 2018

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(2) S.I. 2017/738 (W.178)

(3) S.I. 2018/76 (W.20)