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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A40/A449 Trunk Roads (West
of Glangrwyney, Powys to Raglan,
Monmouthshire & Raglan to the
Wales/England Border,
Monmouthshire) (Temporary
Traffic Prohibitions & Restrictions)
Order 2024**

Made 22 January 2024

Coming into force 29 January 2024

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the A40 trunk road and the relevant length of the A40/A449 trunk road, are satisfied that traffic on specified lengths of the trunk roads should be prohibited and/or restricted because of works proposed on or near the roads.

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 A40/A449 Trunk Roads (West of Glangrwyney, Powys to Raglan, Monmouthshire & Raglan to the Wales/England Border, Monmouthshire) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions & Restrictions) Order 2024 and this Order comes into force on 29 January 2024.

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

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

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

- (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(s)” (“*y gefnffordd/cefnffyrdd*”) means the A40/A449 Newport to Worcester trunk road and the A40 Raglan to Llandovery trunk road;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means intermittent periods commencing at 20:00 hours on 29 January 2024 and ending when the temporary traffic signs for each period of works are permanently removed.

Prohibitions and restrictions

3. No person may, during the works period, drive any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, on the lengths of the trunk roads specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

4. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedules 2 and 5 to this Order.

5. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per

(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).

hour on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedules 3, 5 and 6 to this Order.

6. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 10 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedules 4, 5 and 6 to this Order.

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 lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedules 4, 5 and 6 to this Order during such times as the restriction referred to in article 6 is in operation.

Application

8.—(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.

Suspension

9. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedules 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 to this Order are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 4, 5 and 6 are in operation.

Duration of this Order

10. The maximum duration for 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

22 January 2024

Nicci Hunter
Business Team Leader
Welsh Government

SCHEDULE 1

Temporary prohibition of vehicles

The lengths of the A449/A40 northbound exit and entry slip roads at Raglan Interchange.

The length of the A449/A40 southbound exit slip road at Raglan Interchange.

The length of the lay-by whose centre-point is 240 metres west of Penpergwm over-bridge.

The length of the lay-by whose centre-point is 330 metres east of Hardwick Lane underpass.

The length of the lay-by whose centre-point is 470 metres east of Dobson's Farm accommodation underpass.

SCHEDULE 2

Temporary 50 mph speed limit

The length of the A40 trunk road that extends from the centre-point of Bannut over-bridge to a point 105 metres south-west of the southern portal of the Gibraltar Tunnels.

The length of the A40 trunk road that extends from a point 271 metres north-east of the centre-point of Dixton Roundabout to the centre-point of Ganarew service bridge.

SCHEDULE 3

Temporary 40 mph speed limit

The length of the A40 trunk road that extends from a point 219 metres west of its junction with the access road to Glangrwyney Court to a point 134 metres west of its junction with Red Barn Road.

SCHEDULE 4

Temporary 10 mph speed limit and no overtaking

The length of the A40 trunk road that extends from a point 219 metres west of its junction with the access road to Glangrwyney Court to a point 135 metres north-west of the centre-point of Hardwick Roundabout.

SCHEDULE 5

Temporary 50 mph, 40 mph or 10 mph speed limit and no overtaking

The length of the A40 trunk road that extends from a point 384 metres north-west of the centre-point of Dobson's Farm underpass to the centre-point of the A40/A449 over-bridge at Raglan Interchange.

The length of the A40/A449 southbound exit slip road at Raglan Interchange.

SCHEDULE 6
Temporary 40 mph or 10 mph speed limit and no
overtaking

The length of the A40 trunk road that extends from the centre-point of Bannut over-bridge to the centre-point of Ganarew service bridge.