

**2015 No. 1229 (W. 82)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES**

**The A55 Trunk Road  
(Penmaenbach Tunnel, Conwy  
County Borough) (Temporary  
Traffic Prohibitions & Restrictions)  
Order 2015**

*Made* 25 March 2015

*Coming into force* 1 April 2015

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the Chester – Bangor Trunk Road (A55) (“the trunk road”) are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the trunk road should be prohibited 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) 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 April 2015 and its title is The A55 Trunk Road (Penmaenbach Tunnel, Conwy County Borough) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions & 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;

“length(s) of the trunk road” (“*y darn(au) o’r gefnffordd*”) means those lengths of the trunk road specified in the Schedules to this Order;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means intermittent periods commencing at 18:00 hours on 1 April 2015 and ending when the temporary traffic signs for each period of works are 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.

### **Prohibitions and Restrictions**

**3.** Subject to the provisions of article 17, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to be driven in either the eastbound or westbound carriageways of the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1.

**4.** (1) Whilst vehicle movement is, by article 3, prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, but pursuant to article 17, not prohibited in the westbound carriageway, no person shall drive so as to cause or permit any motor vehicle to:

- (a) proceed in the offside lane of the westbound carriageway in any direction other than eastwards;
- (b) proceed in any direction other than eastwards through either of the gaps in the central reservation of the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 3.

(2) Whilst vehicle movement is, by article 3, prohibited in the westbound carriageway, but pursuant to article 17, not prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, no person shall drive so as to cause or permit any motor vehicle to:

- (a) proceed in the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway in any direction other than westwards;
- (b) overtake any motor vehicle in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2;
- (c) proceed in any direction other than westwards through either of the gaps in the central reservation of the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 3.

**5.** Subject to the provisions of article 17 no person shall, during the works period, ride or cause to be ridden, any pedal cycle in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4.

**6.** Subject to the provisions of article 17 no pedestrian shall, during the works period, proceed in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4.

**7.** Subject to the provisions of article 17, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5.

**8.** Subject to the provisions of article 17, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 6.

**9.** Subject to the provisions of article 17, no person shall, during the works period, drive, cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 7.

**10.** Subject to the provisions of article 17, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle with a width of or exceeding 3.2 metres to proceed in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 8.

**11.** Subject to the provisions of article 17, 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 trunk road specified in Schedule 6.

### **Suspensions**

**12.** The provisions of The Trunk Road (A55) (Penmaenbach - Dwygyfylchi, Gwynedd) (One-Way Traffic) Order 1990(3) are hereby suspended insofar as they relate to the offside lane of the westbound carriageway of the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1 during such times as the eastbound carriageway is closed in accordance with article 3 and to the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway of the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1 during such times as the westbound carriageway is closed in accordance with that article.

**13.** The provisions of The A55 Trunk Road (Penmaenbach Tunnel, Gwynedd) (Closure of Central Reservation Crossings) Order 1994(4) are hereby suspended during such times as the prohibition specified in article 3 is in operation.

**14.** The provisions of The A55 Trunk Road (Penmaenmawr – Conwy Morfa, Conwy) (De-restriction) Order 2004(5) are hereby suspended in

respect of the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 6 during such times as the restriction specified in article 8 is in operation.

**15.** The provisions of The Special Road Order (Glan Conwy to Conwy Morfa) Regulations 1990<sup>(6)</sup> are hereby suspended in respect of the lengths of the trunk road specified in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Schedule 6 during such times as the restriction specified in article 8 is in operation.

**16.** The provisions of The A55 Trunk Road (Penmaenmawr, Gwynedd) (De-restriction) Order 1989<sup>(7)</sup> are hereby suspended in respect of the length of the trunk road specified in paragraph 2 of Schedule 6 during such times as the restriction specified in article 8 is in operation.

### **Application**

**17.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 shall apply only at such times and to such extent as the application of the prohibitions and restrictions referred to therein is indicated by traffic signs.

### **Duration of this Order**

**18.** The maximum duration for 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 March 2015

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**RICHARD MORGAN**

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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 of the Government of Wales Act 2006, these powers are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.
- (3) S.I. 1990/328
- (4) S.I. 1994/3088
- (5) S.I. 2004/2876
- (6) S.I. 1990/1586
- (7) S.I. 1989/1958

## **SCHEDULES**

### **SCHEDULE 1 Contraflow**

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 320 metres west of the western portal of the Penmaenbach Westbound Tunnel to a point 130 metres east of the eastern portal of the said tunnel.

### **SCHEDULE 2 No overtaking restriction**

The length of the eastbound (headland) carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 320 metres west of the western portal of the Penmaenbach Westbound Tunnel to a point 130 metres east of the eastern portal of the said tunnel.

### **SCHEDULE 3 Limits of the central reserve gaps**

1. The gap in the central reservation situated between a point 130 metres east of the eastern portal of the Penmaenbach Westbound Tunnel and a point 65 metres east of the said portal.
2. The gap in the central reservation situated between a point 210 metres west of the western portal of the Penmaenbach Westbound Tunnel and a point 320 metres west of the said portal.

### **SCHEDULE 4 Temporary prohibition of cyclists and pedestrians**

The length of the cycleway/footpath that extends from a point 787 metres east of the eastern portal of the Penmaenbach Eastbound Headland Tunnel, including the length of cycleway/footpath adjacent to the Junction 17 eastbound exit slip road, to its abutment with the A457 at the end of the said slip road.

### **SCHEDULE 5 Temporary 50 mph speed limit**

The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 20 metres east of the eastern portal of the Conwy Tunnel to a point 20 metres west of the centre-point of Morfa Drive over-bridge.

### **SCHEDULE 6 Temporary 40 mph speed limit & prohibition of vehicles**

1. The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 500 metres east of

the centre-point of the Junction 19 (Glan Conwy Interchange) roundabout to the centre-point of Red Gables Viaduct over-bridge, including the westbound on and off slip roads at Junctions 19, 18, 17, the roundabout at Junction 16 and the central reserve gap as defined in paragraph 2 of Schedule 3.

2. The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the centre-point of Red Gables Viaduct over-bridge to the central reserve at a point 191 metres west of the western portal of Penmaenbach Eastbound Headland Tunnel, including the central reserve gap as defined in paragraph 2 of Schedule 3.

3. The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the central reservation at a point 787 metres east of the eastern portal of the Penmaenbach Eastbound Headland Tunnel to a point 500 metres east of the centre-point of the Junction 19 (Glan Conwy Interchange) roundabout, including the eastbound on and off slip roads at Junctions 17, 18 and 19.

#### **SCHEDULE 7** **Extension of the Headland 30mph Speed** **Restriction**

1. The length of the central reserve gap between a point 130 metres east of the eastern portal of the Penmaenbach Westbound Tunnel and a point 65 metres east of the said portal.

2. The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 840 metres west of the centre-point of the Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa) over-bridge to a point 362 metres west of the western portal of the Penmaenbach Westbound Tunnel.

3. The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 940 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 16 (Puffin Roundabout) to a point 191 metres west of the western portal of Penmaenbach Eastbound Headland Tunnel.

4. The gap in the central reservation between a point 210 metres west of the western portal of the Penmaenbach Westbound Tunnel and a point 320 metres west of the said portal.

#### **SCHEDULE 8** **Vehicle width restriction**

1. The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 30 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 16 (Puffin Roundabout) to

the nosing of the eastbound on slip road at Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange).

2. The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the nosing of the westbound off slip road at Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange) to a point 30 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 16 (Puffin Roundabout), including the westbound on slip road at Junction 18.