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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A55 Trunk Road (Junction 11
(Llys y Gwynt Interchange),
Bangor, Gwynedd to Junction 16
(Puffin Roundabout,
Penmaenmawr, Conwy))
(Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and
Restrictions) Order 2021

Made 24 September 2021

Coming into force 1 October 2021

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the A55 trunk road, are satisfied that traffic on specified lengths 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 and commencement

1. The title of this Order is the A55 Trunk Road (Junction 11 (Llys y Gwynt Interchange), Bangor, Gwynedd to Junction 16 (Puffin Roundabout, Penmaenmawr, Conwy)) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2021 and this Order comes into force on 1 October 2021.

(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.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

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

- (a) any vehicle being used by the emergency services for the purposes described in section 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1) or in connection with the works giving rise to this Order;
- (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 A55 Chester to Bangor Trunk Road;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means the period commencing at 00:01 hours on 1 October 2021 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed.

Prohibitions and restrictions

3. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, on either the eastbound or westbound carriageways of the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

4. Whilst movement of traffic is, by article 3, prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, but pursuant to article 11, not prohibited in the westbound carriageway, no person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle on the offside lane of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road in any direction other than eastwards.

(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).

5. Whilst movement of traffic is, by article 3, prohibited in the westbound carriageway, but pursuant to article 11, not prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, no person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle on the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road in any direction other than westwards.

6. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, on the lengths of the trunk road and slip roads specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.

7. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle bearing a load greater than 3.0 metres wide on the lengths of the trunk road and slip roads specified in Schedule 3 to this Order.

8. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle through the central reservation gaps by way of making a right-hand turn or U-turn from one carriageway to the other on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4 to this Order.

9. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50, 40, 30 or 10 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk road and slip roads specified in Schedule 5 to this Order.

10. No person may, during the works period, use or permit the use of a motor vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, in such a way that it overtakes any other vehicle on the lengths of the trunk road and slip roads specified in Schedule 5 to this Order during such times as the restrictions referred to in article 9 are in operation

Application

11.—(1) The prohibitions and restrictions in articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 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

12. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the lengths of the trunk road are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in article 9 are in operation.

Duration of this Order

13. 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

24 September 2021

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Welsh Government

SCHEDULE 1 **Contraflow**

The length of the trunk road that extends from the centre of Junction 15 (Llanfairfechan Roundabout) to the centre of Junction 11 (Llys y Gwynt Interchange) in both directions.

SCHEDULE 2 **Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles**

The length of the main carriageway (including slip roads) of the trunk road that extends from the centre of Junction 11 (Llys y Gwynt Interchange) to the centre of Junction 15 (Llanfairfechan Roundabout).

SCHEDULE 3 **Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles over 3.0 metres wide**

The length of the westbound carriageway that extends from the nosing of the Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa) westbound off slip road to the centre of Junction 11 (Llys y Gwynt Interchange).

The length of the eastbound carriageway that extends from the nosing of the Junction 11 (Llys y Gwynt Interchange) eastbound off slip road to the centre of Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa Interchange).

The entire lengths of the slip roads on both carriageways from the nosing of the Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa) westbound off slip road to the centre of Junction 11 (Llys y Gwynt Interchange).

SCHEDULE 4
Temporary Prohibition of Right-hand Turns/U-
turns

The length of the trunk road that extends from the centre of Junction 12 (Tal-y-Bont) to the centre of Junction 13 (Abergwyngregyn).

SCHEDULE 5
Speed restrictions and no overtaking

The length of the trunk road from the centre of Junction 11 (Llys y Gwynt Interchange) and Junction 16 (Puffin Roundabout) in both directions including all slip roads.