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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A4060 Trunk Road (Leo's
Roundabout to Mountain Hare
Roundabout, Merthyr Tydfil)
(Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles
and Speed Restrictions) Order 2022

Made 21 January 2022

Coming into force 30 January 2022

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the A4060 trunk road, are satisfied that traffic on specified lengths 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984⁽¹⁾, make this Order.

Title and commencement

1. The title of this Order is the A4060 Trunk Road (Leo's Roundabout to Mountain Hare Roundabout, Merthyr Tydfil) (Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles and Speed Restrictions) Order 2022 and this Order comes into force on 30 January 2022.

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

(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.

Regulation Act 1984 Act(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 A4060 East of Abercynon to East of Dowlais trunk road;

“works period” (*“cyfnod y gwaith”*) means intermittent periods commencing at 20:00 on 30 January 2022 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed.

Prohibition and restrictions

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

4. No person may, during the works period, drive any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, at a speed exceeding 40 or 50 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.

Suspension

5. 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 4 are in operation.

(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).

Application

6.—(1) The prohibition and restrictions in articles 3 and 4 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

7. The maximum duration of 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 the 21 January 2022

Nicci Hunter
Business Team Leader
Welsh Government

SCHEDULE 1 Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles

The length of the northbound and southbound carriageways of the A4060 trunk road that extends from the junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Mountain Hare Roundabout to the junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Leo's Roundabout.

SCHEDULE 2 Temporary 50 mph and 40 mph speed limit

The length of the northbound and southbound carriageways of the A4060 trunk road between Mountain Hare Roundabout and Leo's Roundabout including the circulatory carriageways of both roundabouts.