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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A55 Trunk Road (Conwy
Tunnel, Conwy County Borough)
(Temporary Traffic Prohibitions
and Restrictions) Order 2017**

Made 9 January 2017

Coming into force 15 January 2017

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 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 sections 14(1), (4) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1), make this Order.

Title, Interpretation and Commencement

1. This Order comes into force on 15 January 2017 and its title is The A55 Trunk Road (Conwy Tunnel, Conwy County Borough) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2017.

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 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 home 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;

“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 06:00 hours on 15 January 2017 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. 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 carriageway of the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1.

4.—(1) Whilst movement is, by article 3, prohibited in the eastbound carriageway but pursuant to article 14 not prohibited in the westbound carriageway, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (i) proceed in the offside lane of the westbound carriageway of the length of the trunk road in any direction other than eastwards;
- (ii) 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 2.

(2) Whilst movement is, by article 3, prohibited in the westbound carriageway but pursuant to article 14 not prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (i) proceed in the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway of the length of the trunk road in any direction other than westwards;

(ii) 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 2.

5. No person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to be driven on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 3.

6. No person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4.

7. No person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5.

8. No person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 10 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 6.

9. No person shall, 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 Schedule 6 during such times as the restriction specified in article 8 is in operation.

10. No person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle with a width of or exceeding 3.2 metres or 3.7 metres to proceed in the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 7.

11. 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 8.

12. No pedestrian shall, during the works period, proceed in the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 8.

Suspension

13. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedules 4, 5 and 6 are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in article 6, 7 and 8 are in operation.

Application

14.—(1) The prohibitions and restrictions in articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 shall apply only at 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

15. The maximum duration for this Order shall be 18 months.

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

Dated the 9 January 2017

Nina Ley
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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. By virtue of S.I. 1999/672, article 2 and Schedule 1 and paragraph 30 of schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006, these powers are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

SCHEDULES

**SCHEDULE 1
Contraflow**

The length of the trunk road that extends in a westerly direction from a point 272 metres east of the eastern portal of the Conwy Tunnel to a point 502 metres west of the western portal of the Conwy Tunnel.

**SCHEDULE 2
Limits of the central reserve gaps**

The gap in the central reservation situated between a point 92 metres east of the eastern portal of the Conwy Tunnel and a point 272 metres east of that portal.

The gap in the central reservation situated between a point 310 metres west of the western portal of the Conwy Tunnel and a point 502 metres west of that portal.

**SCHEDULE 3
Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles**

The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa Interchange) to the centre-point of Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange), including the entire length of the

eastbound entry slip road at Junction 17 and eastbound exit slip road at Junction 18.

The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange) to the centre-point of the Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa Interchange) over-bridge, including the entire length of the westbound entry slip road at Junction 18 and westbound exit slip road at Junction 17.

SCHEDULE 4 Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit

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 reservation at a point 191 metres west of the western portal of Penmaenbach eastbound headland tunnel.

The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the centre-point of Brompton Avenue over-bridge to a point 787 meters east of the eastern portal of the Penmaenbach eastbound headland tunnel.

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 the centre-point of Brompton Avenue over-bridge.

The entire lengths of the eastbound and westbound entry and exit slip roads at Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa Interchange), Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange) and Junction 19 (Glan Conwy Interchange).

SCHEDULE 5 Temporary 30 mph Speed Limit

The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 787 metres east of the eastern portal of the Penmaenbach eastbound headland tunnel to the centre-point of the Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa Interchange) interchange over-bridge.

The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 250 metres east of the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange) to the nosing of that slip road.

SCHEDULE 6
Temporary 10 mph Speed Limit & No Overtaking

The entire length of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa Interchange).

The entire length of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange).

SCHEDULE 7
Vehicle Width Restriction

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 entry slip road at Junction 19 (Black Cat Interchange), including the entry slip roads at Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa Interchange) and Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange).

The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 19 (Black Cat Interchange) to a point 30 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 16 (Puffin Roundabout), including the westbound entry slip roads at Junction 19 (Black Cat Interchange), Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange) and Junction 17 (Conwy Morfa Interchange).

SCHEDULE 8
Temporary Prohibition of Cyclists & 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 A547 at the end of the said slip road.