

**2023 No. 267 (W. 40)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES**

**The A48 Trunk Road (Cross Hands  
Roundabout to South-East of  
Pensarn Roundabout) and the A40  
Trunk Road (Pensarn Roundabout  
to St Clears Roundabout,  
Carmarthenshire) (Temporary  
Traffic Restrictions and Prohibition)  
Order 2023**

*Made* 3 March 2023

*Coming into force* 14 March 2023

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant lengths of the A48 and A40 Trunk Roads, are satisfied that traffic on specified lengths of the trunk roads should be restricted and/or prohibited 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<sup>(1)</sup>, make this Order.

**Title and commencement**

**1.** The title of this Order is the A48 Trunk Road (Cross Hands Roundabout to South-East of Pensarn Roundabout) and the A40 Trunk Road (Pensarn Roundabout to St Clears Roundabout, Carmarthenshire) (Temporary Traffic Restrictions and Prohibition) Order 2023 and this Order comes into force on 14 March 2023.

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(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 for the purposes described in section 87 of the Road Traffic 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 roads” (“*y cefnffyrdd*”) means the lengths of the A48 and A40 London to Fishguard trunk roads;

“works period” (“*cyfnod y gwaith*”) means intermittent periods commencing at 00:01 hours on 14 March 2023 and ending when the temporary traffic signs for each period of works are removed.

## Restrictions and Prohibition

3. 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 roads specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

4. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk roads specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

5. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 10 miles per

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(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 roads specified in Schedules 1 and 2 to this Order.

6. 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 roads specified in Schedules 1 and 2 to this Order during such times as the restriction referred to in article 5 is in operation.

### **Suspension**

7. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the lengths of the trunk roads specified in Schedules 1 and 2 are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 3, 4 and 5 are in operation.

### **Application**

8.—(1) The restrictions and prohibition in articles 3, 4, 5, and 6 apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.

(2) No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to an exempted vehicle.

### **Duration of this Order**

9. 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 3 March 2023

*Nicci Hunter*  
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Welsh Government

## **SCHEDULE 1**

### **TEMPORARY 50, 40 AND 10 MPH SPEED LIMITS AND PROHIBITION OF OVERTAKING**

#### **A40 TRUNK ROAD**

i) That length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with Pont Lesneven Roundabout to a point 116 metres east of St Clears Roundabout.

ii) That length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 116 metres east of St Clears Roundabout to a point 30 metres west of its junction with Pont Lesneven Roundabout.

iii) That length of the eastbound on-slip road that extends from a point 75 metres from its junction with the B4312, Llanstephan Road, to its junction with the main eastbound carriageway of the trunk road.

#### **A48 TRUNK ROAD**

i) That length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 170 metres west of its junction with Cross Hands Roundabout to a point 358 metres south-east of its junction with Pensarn Roundabout.

ii) That length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 50 metres south-east of its junction with Pensarn Roundabout to a point 170 metres west of its junction with Cross Hands Roundabout.

#### **SCHEDULE 2**

#### **TEMPORARY 10 MPH SPEED LIMIT AND PROHIBITION OF OVERTAKING**

#### **A40 TRUNK ROAD**

i) That length of the trunk road that extends from its junction with Pensarn Roundabout to its junction with Pont Lesneven Roundabout.

ii) The entire lengths of the gyratory carriageways of Pont Lesneven and Pensarn Roundabouts.

#### **A48 TRUNK ROAD**

i) That length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with Pensarn Roundabout to a point 50 metres south-east of its junction with Pensarn Roundabout.

ii) That length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 358 metres south-east of its junction with Pensarn Roundabout to its junction with Pensarn Roundabout.