WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 489 (W. 88)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A55 Trunk Road (Junction 11 (Llys y Gwynt Interchange), Bangor, Gwynedd to the Wales/England Border) and the A494/A550 Trunk Road (Ewloe Interchange to the Wales/England Border, Flintshire) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2025

Made	*14 April 2025*
Coming into force	*21 April 2025*

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant lengths of the A55 and the A494/A550 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(**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 the Wales/England Border) and the A494/A550 Trunk Road (Ewloe Interchange to the Wales/England Border, Flintshire) (Temporary 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.

Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2025 and this Order comes into force on 21 April 2025.

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 road(s)" ("*y gefnffordd*" or "*y cefnffyrdd*") means the A55 Chester to Bangor trunk road and the A494/A550 Dolgellau to South of Birkenhead trunk road;

"works period" ("*cyfnod y gwaith*") means intermittent periods commencing at 00:01 hours on 21 April 2025 and ending when the temporary traffic signs for each period of works are removed.

Prohibitions and restrictions

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

4. No person may, during the works period, ride any pedal cycle on the lengths of the trunk roads and slip roads specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

(**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. No pedestrian may, during the works period, proceed on the lengths of the trunk roads and slip roads specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

6. No person may, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50, 40 or 30 miles per hour on the lengths of the trunk roads and slip roads specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

7. No person may, during the works period, drive any vehicle, bearing a load greater than 3.0 metres wide on the lengths of the trunk roads and slip roads specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

8. No person may, during the works period, drive, cause or permit any motor vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle to make a right-hand turn from the eastbound carriageway on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.

Suspension

9. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant lengths of the trunk roads and slip roads are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in article 6 are in operation.

Application

10.—(1) The prohibitions and restrictions in articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.

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

Duration of this Order

11. The maximum duration for this Order is 18 months.

Signed on behalf of the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated the 14 April 2025

Nicci Hunter
Business Team Leader
Welsh Government

SCHEDULE 1

Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles, Cyclists and Pedestrians, 50, 40, 30 miles per hour Speed Limit and Vehicle Width Restriction over 3.0 metres

The length of the main carriageway and slip roads of the A55 trunk road that extends from a point 800 metres west of the centre-point of Junction 11 (Llys y Gwynt Interchange), Gwynedd to the Wales/England border, east of Junction 36a (Broughton), Flintshire.

The length of the main carriageway and slip roads of the A494/A550 trunk road that extends from the centre-point of the A55 Junction 34 (Ewloe Interchange) to the Wales/England border, northeast of the River Dee Bridge, Queensferry, Flintshire.

SCHEDULE 2

Temporary Prohibition of Right-Hand Turns

Junction 15 (Llanfairfechan Roundabout) from the eastbound carriageway around the circulatory carriageway to join Penmaenmawr Road.

Junction 16 (Puffin Roundabout) from the eastbound carriageway around the circulatory carriageway to join Conwy Road.