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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A465 Trunk Road (Y Rhigos, Rhondda Cynon Taf to Aberdulais Interchange, Neath Port Talbot) (Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles, Cyclists & Pedestrians) Order 2025

Made	*23 June 2025*
Coming into force	*1 July 2025*

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the A465 trunk road, are satisfied that traffic on specified lengths of the trunk road should be 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) and (4) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(**1**), make this Order.

Title and commencement

1. The title of this Order is the A465 Trunk Road (Y Rhigos, Rhondda Cynon Taf to Aberdulais Interchange, Neath Port Talbot) (Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles, Cyclists & Pedestrians) Order 2025 and this Order comes into force on 1 July 2025.

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

(**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.

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 A465 Llandarcy to Abergavenny trunk road;

"works period" ("*cyfnod y gwaith*") means intermittent periods commencing at 06:00 hours on 1 July 2025 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently 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 road specified in the Schedule to this Order.

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

5. No pedestrian may, during the works period, proceed on the lengths of the trunk road specified in the Schedule to this Order.

Application

6. The prohibitions in articles 3, 4 and 5 apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.

(**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).

Duration of this Order

7. 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 23 June 2025

Nicci Hunter
Business Team Leader
Welsh Government

SCHEDULE
Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles, Cyclists & Pedestrians

1. The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road (including the eastbound entry slip road at Aberdulais Interchange) that extends from the nosing of the northbound exit slip road at Aberdulais Interchange to its junction with the western side of Resolven Roundabout.

2. The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Resolven Roundabout to its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Cwmgwrach Roundabout.

3. The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Cwmgwrach Roundabout to its junction with the physical nosing of Glynneath Interchange eastbound entry slip road.

4. The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with the physical nosing of Glynneath Interchange eastbound exit slip road to its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Y Rhigos Roundabout.

5. The entire lengths of the westbound and eastbound entry slip roads at Glynneath Interchange.

6. The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Resolven Roundabout to the physical nosing of the Aberdulais Westbound entry slip road.

7. The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Cwmgwrach Roundabout to its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Resolven Roundabout.

8. The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with the physical nosing of the main westbound carriageway to its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Cwmgwrach Roundabout.

9. The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with the western side of the A465 Tower Colliery Sidings bridge with the identification number '370' located west of the Trewaun Junction at Y Rhigos to the nosing of the westbound entry slip road at Glynneath Interchange.

10. The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Glynneath Interchange to its junction with the western side of the A465 Tower Colliery Sidings bridge with the identification number '370' located west of the Trewaun Junction at Y Rhigos.