WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 775 (W. 140)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A55 Trunk Road (Pen-y-clip Tunnel, Conwy County Borough) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions & Restrictions) Order 2025

Made	*30 June 2025*
Coming into force	*5 July 2025*

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant length of the A55 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 A55 Trunk Road (Pen-y-clip Tunnel, Conwy County Borough) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions & Restrictions) Order 2025 and this Order comes into force on 5 July 2025.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"edge of the carriageway markings" ("*marciau ymyl y gerbytffordd*") means the markings shown at Diagram numbers 1002.1 and 1004 in the

(**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 functions are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.

Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016(**1**);

"exempted vehicle" ("*cerbyd esempt*") means—

(a) any vehicle being used for the purposes described in section 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(**2**);

(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 the 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 A55 Chester to Bangor trunk road;

"works period" ("*cyfnod y gwaith*") means intermittent periods commencing at 19:00 hours on 5 July 2025 and ending when the temporary traffic signs for each period of works are permanently removed.

Prohibitions and restrictions

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

4.—(1) Whilst vehicle movement is, by article 3, prohibited on the eastbound carriageway but, pursuant to article 11, not prohibited on the westbound carriageway, no person may drive so as to cause or permit any vehicle to—

(a) proceed in the offside lane of the westbound carriageway in any direction other than eastwards;

(**1**) S.I. 2016/362.

(**2**) 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(2), paragraph 29(2) and the Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), section 50(4) and (5).

(b) proceed in any direction other than eastwards through the gaps in the central reservation of the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5 to this Order.

(2) Whilst vehicle movement is, by article 3, prohibited on the westbound carriageway but, pursuant to article 11, not prohibited on the eastbound carriageway, no person may drive so as to cause or permit any vehicle to—

(a) proceed in the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway in any direction other than westwards;

(b) use or permit the use of a vehicle in such a way that it overtakes any other vehicle on the eastbound carriageway of the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order;

(c) proceed in any direction other than westwards through the gaps in the central reservation of the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 5 to this Order.

5. No person may, during the works period, drive any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedules 3 and 4 to this Order.

6. 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 road specified in Schedule 4 to this Order.

7. 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 road specified in Schedule 4 to this Order.

8. No person, during the works period, drive any vehicle with a width of or exceeding 3.2 metres on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 6 to this Order.

9. No person may, during the works period, ride any pedal cycle on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 7 to this Order.

10. No pedestrian may, during the works period, proceed on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 8 to this Order.

Application

11.—(1) The prohibitions and restrictions in articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 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.

Suspension

12. The provisions of The Trunk Road (A55) (Pen-y-clip Section, Gwynedd) (One Way Traffic) Order 1994(**1**) are suspended insofar as they relate to the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway of the length of trunk road specified in Schedule 1 to this Order during such times as the westbound carriageway is closed in accordance with article 3.

13. Any statutory provisions restricting or derestricting the speed of vehicles on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4 to this Order are suspended during such times as the restrictions specified in articles 6 and 7 are in operation.

Duration of this Order

14. 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 30 June 2025

Nicci Hunter
Business Team Leader
Welsh Government

SCHEDULE 1
Contraflow

The length of the trunk road that extends from a point 97 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 15 (Llanfairfechan Roundabout) to a point 208 metres east of the centre-point of the Red Gables Viaduct over-bridge.

SCHEDULE 2
No overtaking

The length of the eastbound headland carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 97 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 15 (Llanfairfechan Roundabout) to a point 208 metres east of the centre-point of the Red Gables Viaduct over-bridge.

(**1**) S.I. 1994/192.

SCHEDULE 3
Closure of Penmaenmawr West Junction and Junction 15a eastbound exit slip road

The length of the trunk road that extends from its junction with the county road known as Ffordd Bangor to the edge of the carriageway markings on the southern side of the main westbound carriageway of the trunk road.

The length of the eastbound exit slip road of the trunk road at Junction 15a.

SCHEDULE 4
Prohibition of vehicles (short periods only) & 40 mph and/or 50 mph speed limits

The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the centre-point of the eastbound off slip splitter island at Junction 13 (Abergwyngregyn village) to a point 100 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 16 (Puffin Roundabout), including the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 14 (Madryn Interchange), the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 15a and the central reserve gaps in Schedule 5 to this Order.

The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 100 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 16 (Puffin Roundabout), including the westbound entry slip road at this junction, to the centre-point of the over-bridge at Junction 14 (Madryn Interchange), including the central reserve gaps in Schedule 5 to this Order.

SCHEDULE 5
Limits of the central reserve gaps

The gap in the central reservation situated between a point 78 metres east of the centre-point of the Red Gables Viaduct over-bridge and a point 208 metres east of that over-bridge.

The gap in the central reservation situated between a point 97 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 15 (Llanfairfechan Roundabout) to a point 226 metres east of that roundabout.

SCHEDULE 6
Vehicle width restriction

The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 25 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 15 (Llanfairfechan Roundabout) to the nosing of the eastbound entry slip road at 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 at Junction 18 (Llandudno Junction Interchange) to a point 25 metres east of the centre-point of Junction 15 (Llanfairfechan Roundabout), including the westbound entry slip roads at Junction 18 and Junction 17.

SCHEDULE 7
Prohibition of cyclists

The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the nose of the splitter island for Junction 14, eastbound around Pen-y-clip Headland to the signed pedestrian crossing point adjacent to the eastern portal of Pen-y-clip Tunnel, including the length of the footway that extends from the centre-point of the pedestrian over-bridge to the east of Junction 15, eastbound to the signed pedestrian crossing point adjacent to the eastern portal of Pen-y-clip Tunnel.

SCHEDULE 8
Prohibition of pedestrians

The length of the footway that extends from the centre-point of the pedestrian over-bridge to the east of Junction 15, eastbound to the signed pedestrian crossing point adjacent to the eastern portal of Pen-y-clip Tunnel.