WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A40 Trunk Road (Raglan Interchange to the Wales/England Border, Monmouthshire) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2025

Made	*26 August 2025*
Coming into force	*1 September 2025*

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant length of the A40 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 A40 trunk road (Raglan Interchange to the Wales/England Border, Monmouthshire) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions and Restrictions) Order 2025 and this Order comes into force on 1 September 2025.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

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

(**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.

(a) any vehicle being used by the emergency services for the purposes described in section 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 A40 Newport to Worcester trunk road;

"works period" ("*cyfnod y gwaith*") means intermittent periods commencing at 00:01 hours on 1 September 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 eastbound carriageway of the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

4. Whilst movement of traffic is, by article 3, prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, but pursuant to article 8, not prohibited in the westbound carriageway, no person may, during the works period, drive any vehicle on the offside lane of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road in any direction other than eastwards.

(**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 person may, during the works period, drive any vehicle with a width in excess of 2.9 metres on the contraflow specified in article 4 to this Order.

6. No person may, during the works period, drive any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, on the lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.

7. No person may, during the works period, ride any pedal cycle on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 3 to this Order.

8. No pedestrian may, during the works period, proceed on the length of the trunk road specified in Schedule 3 to this Order.

9. 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.

Application

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

Suspensions

11. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the relevant lengths of the trunk road specified in Schedule 4 to this Order are suspended during such times as the restriction specified in article 9 is in operation.

Duration of this Order

12. 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 26 August 2025

Nicci Hunter
Business Team Leader
Welsh Government

SCHEDULE 1
Contraflow

The length of the A40 trunk road from a point 800 metres northeast of its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Dixton Roundabout to the Wales/England border.

SCHEDULE 2
Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles

The length of the A40 eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from the nosing of the A449 eastbound exit slip road leading to the westbound A40 at Raglan Interchange to the Wales/England border, (Local Access will be permitted from Raglan Junction to Dixton Roundabout).

The length of the A40 westbound carriageway that extends from the Wales/England border to the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Raglan Interchange, (Local Access will be permitted from Dixton Roundabout to Raglan Junction).

The length of the A40 southwestbound layby at a point 1000 metres northeast of the junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Dixton Roundabout.

The length of the A40 northeastbound layby at a point 525 metres east of the junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Dixton Roundabout.

SCHEDULE 3
Temporary Prohibition of Cyclists and Pedestrians

The length of the trunk road from a point 800 metres northeast of its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Dixton Roundabout to the Wales/England border.

SCHEDULE 4
Temporary 40 mph Speed Limit

The length of the A40 northeastbound carriageway from its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Dixton Roundabout to the Wales/England border.

The length of the A40 southwestbound carriageway from the Wales/England border to its junction with the main circulatory carriageway of Dixton Roundabout.