WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 863 (W. 149)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A470 Trunk Road (Dinas Mawddwy, Gwynedd) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions & Restriction) Order 2025

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

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the A470 trunk road, are satisfied that traffic on a specified length of the trunk road should be prohibited and/or restricted by reason of a relevant event, namely the Red Bull Hardline mountain biking event, being held on or near the road.

The Welsh Ministers, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(**1**), make this Order.

Title and commencement

1. The title of this Order is the A470 Trunk Road (Dinas Mawddwy, Gwynedd) (Temporary Traffic Prohibitions & Restriction) Order 2025 and this Order comes into force on 21 July 2025.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"event period" ("*cyfnod y digwyddiad*") means that period commencing at 07:00 hours on 21 July 2025 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed;

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

(**1**) 1984 c. 27. Section 16A was inserted by the Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Act 1994 (c. 11), section 1(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.

(a) any vehicle being used for the purposes described in section 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(**1**);

(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;

(c) any vehicle being used in connection with works to the road or lighting or traffic signs or emergency works to any sewer or to any main or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity, or telecommunications in, or in any land adjacent to, the length of trunk road concerned;

(d) any vehicle used by an authorised event official in support of and for reasons of the safety of the relevant event;

"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 A470 Shrewsbury to Dolgellau trunk road.

Prohibitions and restriction

3. Except as provided in article 7, no person may, during the event period, cause or permit any vehicle to stop or wait on the length of the trunk road described in the Schedule to this Order or on any verge immediately adjacent to any part of the carriageway of that length of the trunk road, except on the direction or with the permission of a police constable, police community support officer or civil parking enforcement officer.

4. No person may, during the event period, cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to

(**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).

proceed in the lay-bys adjacent to the length of the trunk road described in the Schedule to this Order.

5. No person may, during the event period, drive any motor vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle specified in article 2(a) and (b), at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road described in the Schedule to this Order.

6. No person may, during the event period, use or permit the use of a vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle specified in article 2(a) and (b), in such a way that it overtakes any other vehicle on the length of the trunk road described in the Schedule to this Order during such times as the restrictions referred to in articles 3 and 5 are in operation.

Exemptions

7. A person may cause or permit any vehicle to stop or wait on the length of the trunk road described in the Schedule to this Order for so long as may be necessary to enable—

(a) a vehicle to be used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes;

(b) a vehicle to be used in connection with any of the following operations:

(i) building, industrial or demolition operations;

(ii) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;

(iii) the maintenance, improvement or reconstruction of the length of the trunk road; or

(iv) the laying, erection, alteration or repair in, or in land adjacent to, the length of the trunk road of any sewer or of any main, pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or any electronic communications apparatus as defined in paragraph 5 of Schedule 3A to the Communications Act 2003(**1**);

(c) a vehicle to be used in the service of a local authority in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;

(d) a vehicle to stop or wait when the person in control of it:

(i) is required by law to stop;

(ii) is obliged to stop to avoid an accident; or

(iii) is prevented from proceeding by circumstances outside that person's control.

(**1**) 2003 c. 21. Schedule 3A was inserted by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Digital Economy Act 2017 (c. 30).

Application

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

Suspension

9. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of vehicles on the length of the trunk road described in the Schedule to this Order are suspended during such times as the restriction specified in article 5 is in operation.

Duration of this Order

10. The maximum duration of this Order is 8 days.

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

Dated 14 July 2025

Nicci Hunter
Business Team Leader
Welsh Government

SCHEDULE

The length of the trunk road at Dinas Mawddwy, Gwynedd that extends from a point 1 metre east of the centre-point of its junction with the access road to Penantigi Uchaf to a point 1 metre west of the centre-point of its junction with Ffordd Gilcwm.