WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2021 No. 423 (W. 136)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

The A470 Trunk Road (Pontypridd, Rhondda Cynon Taf) (Temporary 50 mph Speed Limit) Order 2021

Made	*26 March 2021*
Coming into force	*1 April 2021*

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 restricted because of the likelihood of danger to the public.

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 A470 Trunk Road (Pontypridd, Rhondda Cynon Taf) (Temporary 50 mph Speed Limit) Order 2021 and this Order comes into force on 1 April 2021.

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(**2**); and

(b) any vehicle being used for naval, military or air force purposes and being driven by a

(**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.

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

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 A470 Cardiff to Llangurig trunk road.

Restriction

3. No person may drive any motor vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the length of the northbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from a point 450 metres north of the nosing of the northbound entry slip road at Bridge Street Interchange, Pontypridd to a point 1 kilometre north of that point.

Application

4. The restriction in article 3 applies only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.

Suspensions

5. Any statutory provisions restricting the speed of motor vehicles on the length of the trunk road are suspended during such times as the restriction specified in article 3 of this Order applies.

Duration of this Order

6. The maximum duration of this Order is 18 months.

Signed under authority of the Minister for Economy, Transport and North Wales, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Dated 26 March 2021

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