

2011 No. 246 (W.47)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The M4 Motorway (Junction 45
(Ynysforgan) and Junction 48
(Hendy)) (Temporary Prohibition of
Vehicles & Trafficking of Hard
Shoulder) Order 2011**

Made 4 February 2011

Coming into force 13 February 2011

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant lengths of the London - South Wales Motorway (M4) (hereinafter referred to as “the motorway”), are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the motorway should be prohibited or permitted by reason of works proposed to be executed thereon.

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) and of all other enabling powers(2), make this Order.

1. This Order comes into force on 13 February 2011 and its title is The M4 Motorway (Junction 45 (Ynysforgan) and Junction 48 (Hendy)) (Temporary Prohibition of Vehicles & Trafficking of Hard Shoulder) Order 2011.

2. —1) In this Order:

“exempted vehicle” (*“cerbyd esempt”*) means any vehicle being used for the emergency services or in connection with the works giving rise to this Order;

“the length(s) of the motorway” (*“y darn(au) o’r draffordd”*) means those lengths of the motorway specified in Schedules 1 to 3 to this Order;

“works period” (*“cyfnod y gwaith”*) means that period commencing at 20:00 hours on 13 February 2011 and ending when the temporary traffic signs are permanently removed.

(2) Any reference in this Order to a numbered article or Schedule is a reference to the article or Schedule bearing that number in this Order.

3. Subject to the provisions of article 7, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, to proceed in the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.

4. Subject to the provisions of article 7, no person shall, during the works period, drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed in the lengths of the motorway specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.

5. Subject to the provisions of article 7, the hard shoulder adjacent to the eastbound carriageway of the length of the motorway specified in Schedule 3 to this Order shall be made available for use as a traffic lane.

6. Regulation 5 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982⁽³⁾ and the provisions of Regulation 9 of those Regulations relating to the driving of vehicles are suspended insofar as they apply to the hard shoulder which is contiguous with the length of the eastbound carriageway of the motorway specified in Schedule 3 to this Order and traffic is directed to use the specified hard shoulder.

7. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 apply only during such times and to such extent as the application of the prohibitions and permission referred to therein is indicated by traffic signs.

8. The maximum duration for this Order shall be 6 months.

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

Dated the

4 February 2011

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- (1) 1984 c.27; Section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.
- (2) By virtue of S.I. 1999/672, article 2 and Schedule 1, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006, these powers are now exercisable by the Welsh Ministers in relation to Wales.
- (3) S.I. 1982/1163

SCHEDULES

Lengths of the M4 motorway in the City and County of Swansea and the County of Carmarthenshire.

SCHEDULE 1

The entire length of the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 48 (Hendy).

SCHEDULE 2

That length of the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 45 (Ynysforgan) which extends from the physical nosing of the westbound exit slip road to the physical nosing of the westbound entry slip road.

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SCHEDULE 3

That length of the hard shoulder adjacent to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway which extends from a point 250 metres west of the centre-point of Junction 48 (Hendy) to a point 300 metres east of the centre-point of Loughor river bridge.