

2020 No. 1344 (W. 298)

ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES

**The A494 Trunk Road (Rhydymain,
Gwynedd) (Part-time 40 mph Speed
Limit) Order 2020**

Made 24 November 2020

Coming into force 1 December 2020

The Welsh Ministers, as traffic authority for the relevant length of the A494 trunk road, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sections 84(1)(c), 84(1A) and 84(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1), after giving public notice of their intention to do so and after consultation with the Chief Officer of North Wales Police, make this Order.

Title, Commencement and Interpretation

1. The title of this Order is the A494 Trunk Road (Rhydymain, Gwynedd) (Part-time 40 mph Speed Limit) Order 2020 and it comes into force on 1 December 2020.

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);
- (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

(1) 1984 c. 27; section 84(1) was substituted by the Road Traffic Act 1991 (c.40), section 45(2). Section 84(2) was substituted by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c. 22), Schedule 8, paragraph 61. By virtue of S.I. 1999/672, article 2 and Schedule 1, 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.

(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, and the Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), section 50(4) and (5).

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” (“*lluoeidd 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; and

“the trunk road” (“*y gefnffordd*”) means the A494 Dolgellau to South of Birkenhead trunk road.

Restriction

3. No person may drive any motor vehicle, other than an exempted vehicle, at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of the trunk road at Rhydymain, Gwynedd that extends from a point 270 metres west of the centre-point of its junction with the unclassified road at the western end of Rhydymain to a point 215 metres east of the centre-point of its junction with the unclassified road at the eastern end of Rhydymain.

Application

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

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

Dated

24 November 2020

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