

**2014 No. 1914 (W. 195)**

**ROAD TRAFFIC, WALES**

**The M4 Motorway & A48 Trunk  
Road (Earlswood Junction to Briton  
Ferry Roundabout, Neath Port  
Talbot) (Temporary 50 mph Speed  
Limit) Order 2014**

*Made* 21 July 2014

*Coming into force* 29 July 2014

The Welsh Ministers, being the traffic authority for the relevant length of the London – South Wales Motorway (M4) and London – Fishguard Trunk Road (A48) (hereinafter referred to as “the motorway” and “the trunk road”), are satisfied that traffic in specified lengths of the motorway and trunk road should be restricted by reason of the likelihood of danger to the public.

The Welsh Ministers, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 14(1) and (4) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1) and of all other enabling powers(2), make this Order.

**Title, Interpretation and Commencement**

**1.** This Order comes into force on 29 July 2014 and its title is The M4 Motorway & A48 Trunk Road (Earlswood Junction to Briton Ferry Roundabout, Neath Port Talbot) (Temporary 50 mph Speed Limit) Order 2014.

**2.—(1)** In this Order:

“the length of the motorway” (“*y darn o’r draffordd*”) means the length of the motorway at Junction 42 (Earlswood) in the County Borough of Neath Port Talbot specified in the Schedule;

“the lengths of the trunk road” (“*y darnau o’r gefnffordd*”) means the lengths of the trunk road between Earlswood and Briton Ferry in the County

Borough of Neath Port Talbot specified in the Schedule.

(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.

### **Restriction**

3. Subject to the provisions of article 4, no person shall drive or cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the lengths of the motorway and trunk road.

### **Application**

4. The provisions of article 3 apply only during such times and to such extent as the application of the restriction referred to therein is indicated by traffic signs.

### **Duration of this Order**

5. The maximum duration of this Order shall be 18 months.

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

Dated the 21 July 2014

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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.

## **SCHEDULE**

The length of the eastbound exit slip road of the motorway at Junction 42 (Earlswood) that extends in a northerly direction from its junction with the A48 and A483 at Earlswood Junction for a distance of 500 metres.

The length of the eastbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with Earlswood Junction to a point 20 metres south of Briton Ferry Roundabout.

The length of the westbound carriageway of the trunk road that extends from its junction with Earlswood Junction to a point 400 metres south of Briton Ferry Roundabout.

The entire circulatory carriageway of Briton Ferry Roundabout.