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Speed Limit) Regulations 2021**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

The Welsh Ministers make these Regulations which impose a maximum speed limit of 40 miles per hour (in place of the general 70 miles per hour speed limit imposed on motorways by the Motorways Traffic (Speed Limit) Regulations 1974 (S.I. 1974/502)) on the lengths of the M48 motorway slip roads specified in the Schedule to these Regulations.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations. A copy can be obtained from: Orders Branch, Transport, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ or [TransportOrdersBranch@gov.wales](mailto:TransportOrdersBranch@gov.wales).

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*Made* 10 December 2021

*Laid before Senedd Cymru* 13 December 2021

*Coming into force* 12 January 2022

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 17(2), (3) and (3ZAA) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984<sup>(1)</sup>, and after consultation with such representative organisations as were thought fit in accordance with section 134(10) of that Act, make the following Regulations.

**Title, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the M48 Motorway (Eastbound and Westbound Exit Slip Roads at Junction 2 (Newhouse Roundabout), Chepstow) (40 mph Speed Limit) Regulations 2021 and they come into force on 12 January 2022.

(2) In these Regulations, “the M48 motorway” means the M48 South Gloucestershire to South Wales motorway.

**Imposition of speed limit**

2. No person may drive a motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the lengths of the M48 motorway specified in the Schedule.

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(1) 1984 c. 27. Section 17(2) was amended by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c. 22), Schedule 8, paragraph 28(3) and the Road Traffic Act 1991 (c. 40), Schedule 4, paragraph 25 and Schedule 8. Section 17(3ZAA) was inserted by the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4), section 26(2).

*Lee Waters*

Deputy Minister for Climate Change under authority  
of the Minister for Climate Change, one of the Welsh  
Ministers

10 December 2021

**SCHEDULE** Regulation 2

**LENGTHS OF THE M48  
MOTORWAY**

The following lengths of the M48 motorway at Junction 2 (Newhouse Roundabout) in the County of Monmouthshire—

- (a) the westbound exit slip road from a point 200 metres east of its junction with Newhouse Roundabout to its junction with the main circulatory carriageway, and
- (b) the eastbound exit slip road from a point 250 metres west of its junction with Newhouse Roundabout to its junction with the main circulatory carriageway.