

2011 No. 1361

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A34 Trunk Road (Abingdon, Pen Barn) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011**

Made - - - - *31st May 2011*
Coming into force - - *18th June 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A34 Trunk Road, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths of that road because works are proposed to be executed thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the A34 Trunk Road (Abingdon, Pen Barn) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 18th June 2011.

2. In this Order:

“the trunk road” means the A34 Trunk Road near Abingdon in the County of Oxfordshire;

“recovery vehicle” has the meaning given in paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the Vehicle Excise and Regulation Act 1994(b);

“overall width” has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulation 1986(c);

“abnormal load” means a vehicle having an overall width exceeding 3.0 metres;

“a length of carriageway” means –

- (i) the northbound carriageway of the trunk road between points 1500 metres south and 100 metres north of Pen Barn overbridge, or
- (ii) the southbound carriageway of the trunk road between points 1500 metres north and 100 metres south of Pen Barn overbridge;

“works” mean bridge refurbishment work on the trunk road; and

“a works period” means a period of 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 20th June 2011 or on any subsequent day until 17th December 2012.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any abnormal load to enter or proceed in a length of carriageway.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding –

(a) 1984 c.27; a new section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1991 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.
(b) 1994 c.22.
(c) S.I. 1986/1078; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

- (a) 10 miles per hour on a length of carriageway while traffic signs of a character authorised under section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on those lengths of carriageway are displayed; or
- (b) 40 miles per hour on a length of carriageway while the traffic signs specified in paragraph (a) of this article in relation to those lengths of carriageway are not displayed.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 above shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

6. (1) Nothing in article 3 above shall apply to -

- (a) a recovery vehicle or a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;
- (b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer purposes;
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

(2) Nothing in article 4 above shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

31st May 2011

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