

**2011 No. 2113**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A66 Trunk Road (Bowes Interchange to Cross Lanes Junction)  
(Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011**

*Made* - - - - *25th August 2011*

*Coming into force* - - - *4th September 2011*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A66 Trunk Road, in the County of Durham, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway resurfacing, lining and studding works are proposed to be executed thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(a) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A66 Trunk Road (Bowes Interchange to Cross Lanes Junction) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 4th September 2011.

2. In this Order; -

“the A66” means the A66 Trunk Road;

“the first length of trunk road” means the A66 from a point 720 metres east of the centreline of Bowes Interchange overbridge to the centreline of Cross Lanes Junction, a distance of 5000 metres;

“the eastbound carriageway” and “the westbound carriageway” mean, respectively, the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the A66 from the centreline of Hulands Quarry Junction eastwards for a distance of 2000 metres;

“a layby” means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles, bounded partly by a road marking on the outer edge of that carriageway complying with diagram 1010 in Schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(b); and in this definition “carriageway” means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the A66 over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles and which has a surface suitable for the exercise of that right;

“the central reservation” means that part of the A66 which separates its carriageways for the safety and guidance of traffic using that road;

“the works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 5th September 2011 or any subsequent night thereafter until the said works have been completed;

and a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to the article in this Order which bears that number.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven in the first length of trunk road at a speed exceeding:

- (a) 10 miles per hour whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under Section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on those carriageways are displayed; or
- (b) 40 miles per hour whilst such traffic signs in relation to those carriageways are not displayed.

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(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) S.I. 2002/3113. Part I.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the eastbound carriageway.

**5.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

**6.** (1) During such times, as pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of the eastbound carriageway but is not prohibited in the westbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (a) enter or proceed in one or more lanes of the westbound carriageway in any direction other than eastwards;
- (b) overtake a moving vehicle in the westbound carriageway; or
- (c) make a u-turn in the westbound carriageway.

(2) When, pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of a length of one carriageway but is not prohibited in the corresponding length of the other carriageway, the provision of this article with respect to that other carriageway shall apply to that length of that carriageway.

**7.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a layby situated adjacent to the A66 westbound carriageway approximately 1050 metres west of Boldron Junction.

**8.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed through the gap in the central reservation:

- (i) approximately 590 metres, 720 metres, 1225 metres, 1590 metres, 1900 metres or 1940 metres west of its junction with Boldron Junction; or
- (ii) opposite its junction with Boldron Junction.

**9.** Nothing in articles 4, 6 (1) save paragraph (a), 7 and 8 shall apply to:

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

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to any vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article;

and nothing in article 4 shall apply to any vehicle or person proceeding in the A66 to or from premises and property which is accessible for that vehicle or person from, and only from, that road.

**10.** No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011<sup>(a)</sup> when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

25th August 2011

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<sup>(a)</sup> S.I. 2011/935.