2011 No. 2566

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A1(M) Motorway (Junction 62 to Junction 63) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011

Made - - - - 13th October 2011

Coming into force - - 23rd October 2011

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1(M) Motorway and connecting roads, in the County of Durham, is satisfied that traffic on that motorway and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway lining, road stud renewal and routine maintenance 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 A1(M) Motorway (Junction 62 to Junction 63) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 23rd October 2011.

2. In this Order;

"the A1(M)" means the A1(M) Motorway;

"the first length of carriageway" means the A1(M) northbound carriageway from the centreline of the A181 overbridge northwards for a distance of 13014 metres;

"the second length of carriageway" means the A1(M) southbound carriageway from the nose of the southbound entry slip road at Junction 63 (Blind Lane) southwards for a distance of 10000 metres;

"the northbound carriageway" means the A1(M) northbound carriageway from a point 520 metres south of the centreline of the southern overbridge at Junction 62 (Carrville) to the centreline of the northern overbridge at Junction 63, a distance of approximately 9723 metres;

"the southbound carriageway" means the A1(M) southbound carriageway from a point 1000 metres south of the centreline of the northern overbridge at Junction 63 to the centreline of the southern overbridge at Junction 62, a distance of approximately 8500 metres;

"a slip road" means any of the following A1(M) slip roads:

- (i) the northbound and southbound entry and exit slip roads at Junction 62; and
- (ii) the northbound and southbound entry and exit slip roads at Junction 63;

"the works period" means a period of 14 hours starting at 19:00 hours on Monday 24th October 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 article 5 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the first length of carriageway, the second length of carriageway or a slip road.

⁽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.

- **4.** Subject as mentioned in article 5 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway.
- **5.** The provisions of articles 3 and 4 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs. Nothing in article 4 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 winter maintenance or traffic officer 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 a vehicle being used for the purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article.

- **6.** 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(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.
- **7.** The provisions of regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(**b**) are suspended in relation to the hard shoulder adjacent to the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway as described in article 2 at such times and to such extent as may, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article "hard shoulder" has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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13th October 2011

⁽a) S.I 2011/935.

⁽b) S.I. 1982/1163; amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479. 1992/1364.