

2011 No. 2897

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A1 Trunk Road (Seaton Burn Interchange) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011**

Made - - - - *1st December 2011*

Coming into force - - *11th December 2011*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1 Trunk Road and connecting roads, in the District of Newcastle upon Tyne and the County of Northumberland, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because bridge 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A1 Trunk Road (Seaton Burn Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 11th December 2011.

2. In this Order; –

“the A1” means the A1 Trunk Road;

“the northbound carriageway” means the A1 northbound carriageway from a point 240 metres south of the nose of the northbound exit slip road at the A19 Seaton Burn Interchange northwards for a distance of 1520 metres;

“the southbound carriageway” means the A1 southbound carriageway from a point 1570 metres south of the centreline of the overbridge at Shotton Lane Interchange southwards for a distance of 1560 metres;

“the slip road” means the A1 northbound entry slip road at Seaton Burn Interchange;

“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(a); and in this definition “carriageway” means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the A1 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 first works period” means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Monday 12th December 2011 and ending when the said works have been completed;

“the second works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 12th December 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.

(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.

3. Subject as mentioned in article 6 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 6 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the slip road.

5. Subject as mentioned in article 6 no person shall, during the first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a layby situated adjacent to the A1:

- (i) northbound carriageway approximately 480 metres south of the nose of the northbound exit slip road at Seaton Burn Interchange; or
- (ii) southbound carriageway approximately 2000 metres south of the nose of the southbound exit slip road at Shotton Lane Interchange.

6. The provisions of articles 3, 4 and 5 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs. Nothing in articles 4 and 5 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.

7. 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

1st December 2011

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