

2012 No. 1183

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A27 Trunk Road (Ashcombe Roundabout – Beddingham Roundabout) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - - 23rd April 2012
Coming into force - - 12th May 2012

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A27 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 A27 Trunk Road (Ashcombe Roundabout – Beddingham Roundabout) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 12th May 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the trunk road” means the A27 Trunk Road near Lewes in the County of East Sussex;

“the first length of trunk road” means both carriageways of the trunk road between Ashcombe roundabout (A227 – Brighton Road) and Beddingham roundabout (A26);

“the second length of trunk road” means both carriageways of the trunk road between Ashcombe roundabout (A227 – Brighton Road) and Southerham roundabout (A26);

“the eastbound carriageway” and “the westbound carriageway” mean, respectively, the eastbound carriageway and the westbound carriageway of the second length of trunk road;

“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 3.2 metres;

“lay-by” 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(d);

“an A27 lay-by” means any lay-by in the second length of trunk 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.
(b) 1994 c.22.
(c) S.I. 1986/1078; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.
(d) S.I. 2002/3113.

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

“a first works period” means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Tuesday 15th May 2012 or on any subsequent day until 11th November 2013; and

“a second works period” means a period of 8 hours starting at 2100 hours on Tuesday 15th May 2012 or on any subsequent day until 11th November 2013.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 below, no person shall, during -

- (a) a first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in, or wait on, an A27 lay-by;
- (b) a first works period, cause or permit an abnormal load to enter or proceed in the second length of trunk road;
- (c) a first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the westbound carriageway;
- (d) a first works period, cause or permit any vehicle having entered Southerham roundabout from the A26 to turn right; or
- (e) a second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of trunk road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 below, no person shall, during a first works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the first length of trunk road.

5. During such times as, pursuant to article 6, movement of traffic is prohibited in the westbound carriageway but is not prohibited in any lane of the eastbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway in any direction other than westwards.

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

7. (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, traffic officer or fire and rescue authority 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 and to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulation 2011(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

23rd April 2012

G Berresford
A Service Delivery Team Leader
in the Highways Agency

(a) S.I. 2011/935.