

**2012 No. 258**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A1 Trunk Road (Gosforth Park Interchange to Seaton Burn Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made* - - - - - *26th January 2012*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *5th February 2012*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1 Trunk Road and connecting roads, in the Districts of North Tyneside and 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 layby improvement 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 (Gosforth Park Interchange to Seaton Burn Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 5th February 2012.

2. In this Order; -

“the A1” means the A1 Trunk Road;

“the first length of carriageway” means the A1 northbound carriageway from a point 950 metres south of the nose of northbound exit slip road at Fawdon Interchange northwards for a distance of 6900 metres;

“the second length of carriageway” means the A1 southbound carriageway from a point 2000 metres north of the centreline of the A19 Seaton Burn Interchange overbridge southwards for a distance of 5715 metres;

“the northbound carriageway” means the A1 northbound carriageway from the nose of the northbound exit slip road at the A1056 Gosforth Park Interchange to the nose of the northbound entry slip road at the A19 Seaton Burn Interchange, a distance of 3900 metres;

“the southbound carriageway” means the A1 southbound carriageway from the nose of the southbound exit at Seaton Burn Interchange to the nose of the southbound entry slip road at Gosforth Park Interchange, a distance of 4000 metres;

“a slip road” means any of the following the A1 slip roads:

- (i) northbound entry slip road at Fawdon Interchange;
- (ii) northbound entry and southbound exit slip roads at Gosforth Park Interchange; and
- (iii) northbound exit and southbound entry slip roads at Seaton Burn Interchange;

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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.

“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 works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 6th February 2012 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 6 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.

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

**5.** Subject as mentioned in article 6 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a layby situated adjacent to the A1 northbound carriageway or southbound carriageway between Gosforth Park Interchange and Seaton Burn Interchange, a distance of approximately 3500 metres.

**6.** Subject as mentioned in article 7 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to overtake another moving vehicle in the northbound carriageway, the southbound carriageway or a slip road.

**7.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 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, 5 and 6 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.

**8.** 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(b) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

26th January 2012

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(a) S.I. 2002/3113. Part I.  
(b) S.I. 2011/935.