

2012 No. 2718

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A43 Trunk Road (Towcester to Silverstone,
Northamptonshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of
Traffic) Order 2012**

Made - - - - 1st October 2012

Coming into force - - 8th October 2012

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A43 Trunk Road (“the A43”), and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on a length of that trunk road and two of those connecting roads in the County of Northamptonshire should be restricted and prohibited 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 A43 Trunk Road (Towcester to Silverstone, Northamptonshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 8th October 2012.

2. In this Order –

“the first length of trunk road” means the southbound carriageway of the A43 from its roundabout junction with the A5 and Towcester Road (Towcester Roundabout) to its roundabout junction with Brackley Road and the unnamed road leading to Abthorpe (Abthorpe Roundabout);

“the second length of trunk road” means the southbound carriageway of the A43 from Abthorpe Roundabout to its junction with the exit slip road leading to its roundabout junction with the A413 Dadford Road;

“the first slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the A43 to its roundabout junction with the A413 leading to Whittlebury;

“the second slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the A43 to its roundabout junction with the A413 Dadford 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

“layby”	means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles and bounded partly by a road marking of the type shown in diagram 1010 in Schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations 2002(a) and partly by the outer edge of that carriageway on the same side of the road as that on which the marking is placed; and in this definition “carriageway” means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in a length of the trunk road over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles and which has a suitable surface for the exercise of that right;
"the works period"	means the period starting at 20:00 hours on Sunday 14th October 2012 and ending when 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 6 and 7, no person shall, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of trunk road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed on the second length of trunk road, the first slip road or the second slip road.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the layby adjacent to the southbound carriageway of the A43 –

- a) 1000 metres south of Abthorpe Roundabout; and
- b) 2300 metres north of the centre line of the Dadford Road overbridge;

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.

7. The provisions of –

- a) article 3 shall not apply to any vehicle being used special forces purposes;
- b) articles 3, 4 and 5 shall not apply to any vehicle -
 - (i) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes; or
 - (ii) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable;
- c) articles 4 and 5 shall not apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

1st October 2012

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(a) S.I. 2002/3113, Part 1.