

2012 No. 43

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A1 Trunk Road (Stannington Interchange to Warreners House Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - - - *3rd January 2012*

Coming into force - - - - - *8th January 2012*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1 Trunk Road and connecting roads, in the County of Northumberland, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road and one of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because embankment strengthening 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 Trunk Road (Stannington Interchange to Warreners House Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 8th January 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 750 metres north of the centreline of Stannington Interchange underbridge northwards for a distance of 8250 metres;

“the second length of carriageway” means the A1 southbound carriageway from a point 20 metres north of the centreline of the A697 overbridge at Warreners House Interchange southwards for a distance of 4180 metres;

“the third length of carriageway” means the A1 northbound carriageway from the nose of the northbound exit slip road at the A197 Clifton Interchange to the nose of the northbound entry slip road of the A192 Fairmoor Interchange, a distance of 6755 metres;

“the northbound carriageway” and “the southbound carriageway” mean, respectively, the northbound and southbound carriageways of the A1 from a point 785 metres south of the centreline of the A192 overbridge at Fairmoor Interchange southwards for a distance of 1845 metres;

“the slip road” means the A1 northbound exit slip road at the A197 Clifton 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(b); 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;

“footway” means a way comprised in a highway which also comprises a carriageway, being a way over which the public have a right of way on foot only;

(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) S.I. 2002/3113. Part I.

“the works period” means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Monday 9th January 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 5 and 9 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour or 30 miles per hour in the first length of carriageway, the second length of carriageway or the slip road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the third length of carriageway, the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway.

5. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

6. (1) During such times, as pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of the southbound carriageway but is not prohibited in the northbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (a) enter or proceed in the offside lane of the northbound carriageway in any direction other than southwards,
- (b) overtake a moving vehicle in the northbound carriageway, or
- (c) make a u-turn in the northbound carriageway.

(2) When, pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of a length of one carriageway but is not prohibited in the corresponding length of the other carriageway, the provision of this article with respect to that other carriageway shall apply to that length of that carriageway.

7. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a layby situated adjacent to the A1:

- (i) northbound carriageway approximately 995 metres north of Stannington Interchange underbridge;
- (ii) between Clifton Interchange and Fairmoor Interchange, a distance of 6755 metres; or
- (iii) southbound carriageway approximately 465 metres north of A697 overbridge at Warreners House Interchange.

8. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9 no person shall, during the works period, enter or proceed in the footway adjacent to the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway.

9. Nothing in articles 4, 6 (1), save paragraphs (a), 7 and 8 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 police officer 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.

10. 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

3rd January 2012

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(a) S.I 2011/935.