

2013 No. 1025

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A1 Trunk Road (Highfields Roundabout to the Scottish Border) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013

Made - - - - - *14th March 2013*

Coming into force - - - - - *26th March 2013*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1 Trunk Road, in the County of Northumberland, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway resurfacing 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 (Highfields Roundabout to the Scottish Border) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 26th March 2013.

2. In this Order; –

“the A1” means the A1 Trunk Road;

“the first length of carriageway” means the A1 northbound carriageway from a point 840 metres north of its junction with the A1167 Highfields Roundabout to the Scottish Border, a distance of 2000 metres;

“the second length of carriageway” means the A1 northbound carriageway from a point 280 metres south of the Scottish Border to the Scottish Border, a distance of 280 metres;

“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;

“bus stop area” means any area of carriageway on a side of the slip road, intended for the waiting of buses, which is comprised within and indicated by a road marking complying with diagrams 1025.1, 1025.3 or 1025.4 in schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(c);

“the central reservation” means that part of the A1 which separates its carriageways for the safety and guidance of traffic using that 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) S.I. 2002/3113. Part I.
(c) S.I. 2002/3113.

“the works period” means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Wednesday 27th March 2013 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 article 7 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven in the first length of carriageway at a speed exceeding:

- (a) 10 miles per hour whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under Section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on that carriageway are displayed; or
- (b) 50 miles per hour or 40 miles per hour whilst such traffic signs in relation to that carriageway are not displayed.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 7 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of carriageway.

5. Subject as mentioned in article 7 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a bus stop area situated adjacent to the A1 northbound carriageway approximately 1250 metres or 2070 metres north of Highfields Roundabout.

6. Subject as mentioned in article 7 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed through the gap in the central reservation approximately 1475 or 2050 metres north of Highfields Roundabout:

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 winter maintenance or traffic officer 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;

and nothing in article 4 shall apply to any vehicle proceeding in the A1 to or from premises and property which is accessible for that vehicle from, and only from, that road.

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^(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

14th March 2013

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.