

2014 No. 1243

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A43 Trunk Road (Towcester, Northamptonshire)
(Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014**

Made - - - - *28th April 2014*
Coming into force - - *5th May 2014*

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 lengths of that trunk road and some of those connecting roads, at Towcester 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, Northamptonshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on Monday 5th May 2014.

2. In this Order –

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| “Evenly Roundabout” | means the circulatory carriageway of the A43 at its junction with Broad Lane and Charlton; |
| “Oxford Road Roundabout” | means the circulatory carriageway of the A43 at its junction with Oxford Road; |
| “Buckingham Road Roundabout” | means the circulatory carriageway of the A43 at its junction with Buckingham Road; |
| “Northampton Road Roundabout” | means the circulatory carriageway of the A43 at its junction with Northampton Road; |
| “Abthorpe Roundabout” | means the circulatory carriageway of the A43 at its junction with Brackley Road; |
| “Towcester Roundabout” | means the circulatory carriageway of the A43 at its junction with the A5; |

(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

“the first length of trunk road”	<p>means the –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) northbound carriageway of the A43 between Evenly Roundabout and Oxford Road Roundabout; (b) northbound carriageway of the A43 between Buckingham Road Roundabout and Northampton Road Roundabout; (c) northbound carriageway of the A43 between Northampton Road Roundabout and Abthorpe Roundabout; (d) northbound carriageway of the A43 between Abthorpe Roundabout and Towcester Roundabout; (e) southbound carriageway of the A5 from a point 2 kilometres north of Towcester Roundabout, to its junction with Towcester Roundabout; (f) southbound carriageway of the A43 from a point 2 kilometres north of Towcester Roundabout, to its junction with Towcester Roundabout; (g) southbound carriageway of the A43 between Buckingham Road Roundabout and Oxford Road Roundabout;
“the second length of trunk road”	<p>means the –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) northbound carriageway of the A43 between Oxford Roundabout and Buckingham Road Roundabout, including Buckingham Road Roundabout; (b) northbound carriageway of the A43 between Northampton Road Roundabout and Abthorpe Roundabout, including Abthorpe Roundabout; (c) northbound carriageway of the A43 between Abthorpe Roundabout and Towcester Roundabout, including Towcester Roundabout; (d) southbound carriageway of the A43 between Buckingham Road Roundabout and Oxford Road Roundabout;
“a slip road”	means any slip road leading to the second length of trunk road;
“central reservation”	means that part of the trunk road which separates its carriageways for the safety and guidance of vehicular traffic using that road;
“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

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

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 11th May 2014 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 8 and 9, 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 8 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed on the second length of trunk road or a slip road.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 8 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed through any gap in the central reservation adjacent to the second length of trunk road.

6. Subject as mentioned in articles 8 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in any layby situated adjacent to the second length of trunk road.

7. Subject as mentioned in articles 8 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or leave the northbound carriageway of the A43 at its junction with the unnamed road leading to Radstone.

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

9. The provisions of –

- (a) articles 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 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;
- (b) article 3 shall not apply to any vehicle being used for special forces purposes;
- (c) article 4 shall not apply to any vehicle proceeding to and from premises which are accessible from, and only from, the trunk road; and
- (d) articles 4, 5, 6 and 7 shall not apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

28th April 2014

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