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ROAD TRAFFIC

The A404 Trunk Road and the A404(M) Motorway (M4 Junction 8/9 – M40 Junction 4, Handy Cross Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014

Made - - - - 25th August 2014

Coming into force - - 13th September 2014

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A404 Trunk Road and A404(M) Motorway, and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be prohibited on lengths of that trunk road and prohibited on some of those connecting roads 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) and paragraph 27(1) of Schedule 9 to, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the A404 Trunk Road and the A404(M) Motorway (M4 Junction 8/9 – M40 Junction 4, Handy Cross Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 13th September 2014.

2. In this Order:

“the trunk road” means the A404 Trunk Road in the Counties of Berkshire and Buckinghamshire;

“the motorway” means the A404(M) Motorway in the County of Berkshire;

“the first length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the trunk road and motorway between the roundabout at M4 Junction 8/9 (A404(M)/A308(M) and the roundabout at Handy Cross Interchange (M40 Junction 4);

“the second length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the trunk road and motorway between the roundabout at Handy Cross Interchange (M40 Junction 4) and the roundabout at M4 Junction 8/9 (A404(M)/A308(M);

“the third length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the A404(M) between the tip of the nosing of the ‘off’ slip road at Junction 9a and the tip of the nosing of the ‘on’ slip road at Junction 9b (A4);

“the fourth length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the A404(M) between the tip of the nosing of the ‘off’ slip road at Junction 9b (A4) and the tip of the nosing of the ‘on’ slip road at Junction 9a;

(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; and paragraph 27(1) of Schedule 9 was amended by section 1(4) of that Act.

“lay-by” 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);

“an A404 lay-by” means any lay-by in a first length of carriageway or second length of carriageway;

“a slip road” means any road leading to and from the first length of carriageway or the second length of carriageway;

“a side road” means any road at junction with the first length of carriageway or the second length of carriageway;

“recovery vehicle” has the meaning given in paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the Vehicle Excise and Registration Act 1994(b);

“overall width” has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulation 1986(c);

“works” means essential carriageway repairs and all associated work;

“a first works period” means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Monday 15th September 2014 or on any subsequent day until 12th March 2016; and

“a second works period” means a period of 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 15th September 2014 or on any subsequent day until 12th March 2016.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 below, no person shall, during –

- (a) a first works period cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in, or wait on, an A404 lay-by; or
- (b) a second works period cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a slip road, a side road, the first length of carriageway or the second length of carriageway.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 below, no person shall, during –

- (a) a first works period cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 2.75 metres to enter or proceed in the outside lane; or
- (b) a first works period cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 3.2 metres to enter or proceed in the inside lane;

on the third length of carriageway or the fourth length of carriageway.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 below, no person shall, during a first works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the third length of carriageway or the fourth length of carriageway.

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

7. (1) Nothing in article 3 above shall apply to -

- (a) a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;
- (b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer purposes;
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

(2) Nothing in article 4 above shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes and to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(d) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

(a) S.I. 2002/3113.

(b) 1994 c.22.

(c) S.I. 1986/1078; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(d) S.I. 2011/935

8. The A404 Trunk Road (Burchett's Green Junction – Handy Cross Interchange) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 (a) is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

25th August 2014

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(a) S.I. 2013/2629