

2014 No. 3544

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A1 Trunk Road (The Scottish Border to Duns Road Junction) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014

Made - - - - 29th December 2014

Coming into force - - 10th January 2015

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 and some of those connecting roads 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) 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 (The Scottish Border to Duns Road Junction) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 10th January 2015.

2. In this Order: –

“the A1” means the A1 Trunk Road;

“the first length of carriageway” means the A1 northbound carriageway and southbound carriageway from its junction with the A6105 at Duns Road to the Scottish Border, a distance of 3700 metres;

“the northbound carriageway” means the A1 northbound carriageway from its junction with the A1167 at Highfields Roundabout to the Scottish Border, a distance of 2830 metres;

“the southbound carriageway” means the A1 southbound carriageway from its junction with the A1167 at Highfields Roundabout to the Scottish Border, a distance of 2830 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;

“the works period” means the period starting at 20:00 hours on Sunday 11th January 2015 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 in the first length of carriageway at a speed exceeding:

(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.

- (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 road are displayed; or
- (b) 40 miles per hour or 50 miles per hour whilst such traffic signs in relation to that road are not displayed.

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 northbound 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 northbound carriageway but is not prohibited in the southbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (a) enter or proceed in the offside lane of the southbound carriageway in any direction other than northwards,
- (b) overtake a moving vehicle in the southbound carriageway, or
- (c) make a u-turn in the southbound 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 or southbound carriageways at the Scottish Border; or
- (ii) northbound carriageway 315 metres south of the northbound entry slip road at East Ord Roundabout.

8. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (i) enter or proceed through the gap in the A1 central reservation between Highfields Roundabout and the Scottish Border;
- (ii) enter or leave the A1 northbound carriageway at Conundrum Farm Junction; or
- (iii) enter or wait in a bus stop area situated adjacent to the A1 northbound carriageways between Highfields Roundabout and the Scottish Border, a distance of 2830 metres.

9. Nothing in articles 4, 6 (1), save paragraph (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 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.

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

29th December 2014

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