2014 No. 978

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A1 Trunk Road (Newton on the Moor North to Charlton Mires) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014

 Made
 20th March 2014

 Coming into force
 30th March 2014

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 some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway resurfacing, loop cutting, studding and lining 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 (Newton on the Moor North to Charlton Mires) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 30th March 2014.

2. In this Order: -

"the A1" means the A1 Trunk Road;

"the first length of northbound carriageway" and "the first length of southbound carriageway" mean, respectively, the A1 northbound and southbound carriageways from a point 750 metres south of the centreline of Newton on the Moor North Junction to a point 2225 metres north of the centreline of Denwick Interchange, a distance of approximately 11875 metres;

"the second length of northbound carriageway" and "the second length of southbound carriageway" mean, respectively, the A1 northbound and southbound carriageways from a point 4800 metres south of the centreline of Alnwick South Interchange to a point 1400 metres north of the centreline of Denwick Interchange, a distance of approximately 9200 metres;

"a slip road" means any of the following A1 slip roads:

- (i) northbound entry and exit slip roads at Alnwick South Interchange; or
- (ii) northbound entry and exit slip roads at Denwick Interchange;
- "a bicycle" means any pedal cycle having four wheels or fewer not being a motor vehicle;

"the central reservation" means that part of the A1 which separates its carriageways for the safety and guidance of traffic using that road;

"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;

⁽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.

"bus stop area" means any area of carriageway on a side of the A1, 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(a);

"the works period" means the period starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 31st March 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 5 and 13 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the first length of northbound carriageway or the first length of southbound carriageway.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 13 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of northbound carriageway or a slip road.
- **5.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 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 13 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit a bicycle to enter or proceed in the second length of northbound carriageway or the second length of southbound carriageway.
- **8.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 13 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to overtake another moving vehicle in the first length of northbound carriageway or the first length of southbound carriageway.
- **9.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 13 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed through a gap in the central reservation between Newton on the Moor North Junction and Alnwick South Interchange.
- **10.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 13 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or leave the A1 northbound and southbound carriageways between Newton on the Moor North Junction and Alnwick South Interchange.
- 11. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 13 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 exit slip road at Alnwick South Interchange.
- **12.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 13 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 between Newton on the Moor North Junction and Charlton Mires Junction;
 - (ii) northbound carriageway approximately 2260 metres north of The River Coquet Bridge; or
 - (iii) southbound carriageway approximately 410 metres north of North Charlton Junction.
- 13. Nothing in articles 4 and 6 (1), save paragraph (a), 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 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.

14. 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

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in the Highways Agency

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