

2015 No. 1104

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A1(M) Motorway (Junction 4 to North of Junction 6)
(Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015**

Made - - - - - *16th February 2015*

Coming into force - - - - - *23rd February 2015*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1(M) Motorway (“the A1(M)”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that motorway and on some of those connecting roads, in the County of Hertfordshire, 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) and (7) of, and paragraph 27(1) of Schedule 9 to, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) and regulation 16(2) of the Motorway Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b) hereby makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A1(M) Motorway (Junction 4 to North of Junction 6) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015 and shall come into force on 23rd February 2015.

2. In this Order –

“tip of the nosing” means, as indicated by the road markings on the carriageway, the first point where an entry slip road joins, or the last point where an exit slip road leaves, the carriageway of the motorway;

“a first length of motorway” means the A1(M) –

(a) northbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 4 to the centre point of the Pottersheath Road over-bridge, and

(b) southbound carriageway from the centre point of the B197 Great North Road under-bridge to the centre point of the Ayot Green over-bridge;

“a second length of motorway” means the A1(M) –

(a) northbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 4 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 6, and

(b) southbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 6 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 4;

“the motorway” means the northbound carriageway of the A1(M) from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 6 to a point 500 metres south of the centre point of the Pottersheath Road over-bridge;

(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. 1982/1163, as amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 1996/3053, 2004/3168, 2004/3258 and 2006/594.

“a slip road” means the A1(M) –

- (a) entry slip roads to the northbound carriageway at Junctions 4, 5 and 6,
- (b) entry slip road to and exit slip road from the southbound carriageway at Junction 6,
- (c) exit slip road from the southbound carriageway at Junction 4, and
- (d) exit slip road from the northbound carriageway at Junction 6;

“works” mean earthworks, installation of new road restraint and kerbing, carriageway resurfacing, white lining, stud replacement, joint replacement, lighting renewal, traffic loop renewal and reinstatement, drainage and the installation of two cross carriageway gantries;

“a works period” means a period of 7 hours starting at 22.00 hours on Monday 2nd March 2015 or on any subsequent day, until the 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, 6 and 7 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on a first length of motorway.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a second length of motorway or a slip road.

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

6. The provisions of article 4 shall not apply to a vehicle –

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

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to a vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (b) of this article or to a vehicle 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.

7. During a works period, the provisions of Regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulation 1982 are hereby suspended in relation to the hard shoulder adjacent to the motorway at such times and to such extent as may be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article “hard shoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

8. The A1(M) Motorway (Junction 4 to Junction 6) Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic Order 2014 **(b)** is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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16th February 2015

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^(a) S.I. 2011/935.
^(b) S.I. 2014/2972.