

2011 No. 2798

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A1 Trunk Road (Highfields Roundabout to the Scottish Border) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) (No.2) Order 2011

Made - - - - - *10th November 2011*

Coming into force - - - - - *20th November 2011*

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 should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway resurfacing and road marking renewal 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 (Highfields Roundabout to the Scottish Border) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) (No.2) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 20th November 2011.

2. In this Order; –

“the A1” means the A1 Trunk Road;

“the first length of trunk road” means the A1 from a point 300 metres north of the centreline of its junction with the B6461 to the Scottish Border, a distance of 5000 metres;

“the northbound carriageway” and “the southbound carriageway” mean, respectively, the A1 northbound and southbound carriageways from its junction with the A1167 Highfields Roundabout to the centreline of Conundrum Farm junction, a distance of 525 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;

(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.

“the first works period” means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Monday 21st November 2011 and ending when the said works have been completed;

“the second works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 21st November 2011 or any subsequent night thereafter until 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 11 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven in the first length of trunk road at a speed exceeding:

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

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 11 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway.

5. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 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) During such times, as pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of the southbound carriageway but is not prohibited in the northbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (a) enter or proceed in the offside lane of the northbound carriageway in any direction other than southwards,
- (b) overtake a moving vehicle in the northbound carriageway, or
- (c) make a u-turn in the northbound carriageway.

(3) 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 11 no person shall, during the first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a layby situated adjacent to the A1 northbound carriageway approximately 315 metres south of its junction with the A698 East Ord Roundabout.

8. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 11 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed through the gap in the central reservation opposite Conundrum Farm Junction approximately 536 metres north of Highfields Roundabout.

9. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 11, no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or leave the A1 at Conundrum Farm Junction.

10. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 11 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a bus stop area situated adjacent to the A1:

- (i) northbound carriageway approximately 572 metres north of Highfields Roundabout; or
- (ii) southbound carriageway approximately 1315 metres or 435 metres north of Highfields Roundabout.

11. Nothing in articles 4, 6 (1) and (2), save paragraph (a), 7, 8, 9 and 10 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.

12. 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

10th November 2011

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^(a) S.I. 2011/935.