

2011 No. 2376

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A1(M) Motorway (Junction 63 to Junction 65) and the
A194(M) Motorway (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of
Traffic) Order 2011**

Made - - - - - *22nd September 2011*

Coming into force - - - - - *2nd October 2011*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1(M) Motorway, the A194(M) Motorway and connecting roads, in the County of Durham and the District of Gateshead, is satisfied that traffic on those motorways and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway lining and road stud 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(M) Motorway (Junction 63 to Junction 65) and the A194(M) Motorway (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 2nd October 2011.

2. In this Order; –

“the A1(M)” means the A1(M) Motorway;

“the A194(M)” means the A194(M) Motorway;

“the first length of carriageway” means the A1(M) northbound carriageway from a point 2250 metres south of the centreline of the southern overbridge at Junction 63 (Blind Lane) northwards for a distance of 6500 metres;

“the second length of carriageway” means the A194(M) northbound carriageway from its junction with the A1(M) northbound carriageway at Junction 65 (Birtley) northwards for a distance of 250 metres;

“a first slip road” means any of the following A1(M) slip roads:

(i) the northbound entry slip road at Junction 63;

(ii) the northbound entry slip road at Junction 64 (Vigo);

“a second slip road” means the A1(M) northbound exit and entry slip roads at Junction 64 (Vigo);

“the works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 3rd October 2011 or any subsequent night thereafter until the said works have been completed;

(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 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 article 5 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 carriageway, the second length of carriageway or a first slip road.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 5 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a second 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. Nothing in article 4 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 a vehicle being used for the purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article.

6. 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.

7. 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) Regulations 1982(b) are suspended in relation to the hard shoulder adjacent to the first length of carriageway as described in article 2 at such times and to such extent as may, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article “hard shoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

22nd September 2011

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.

(b) S.I. 1982/1163; amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479. 1992/1364.