

2011 No. 2827

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A421 Trunk Road (M1 Junction 13 to Marsh Leys Junction,
Bedfordshire) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011**

Made - - - - - *21st November 2011*
Coming into force - - - - - *28th November 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A421 Trunk Road (“the A421”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on a length of that road and on some of those connecting roads in Central Bedfordshire and Bedford Borough in the County of Bedfordshire should be 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A421 Trunk Road (M1 Junction 13 to Marsh Leys Junction, Bedfordshire) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 28th November 2011.

2. In this Order –

“the trunk road” means the A421 from its junction with the A421 roundabout at M1 Junction 13 to the centre point of the eastern overbridge at Marsh Leys Junction;

“a slip road” means the A421-

- (a) eastbound entry slip road from, and westbound exit slip road to, Salford Road, Brogborough,
- (b) slip roads leading from or to Beancroft Road, Marston Moretaine, and
- (c) eastbound exit and westbound entry slip roads at Marsh Leys Junction;

“lay-by” 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 2002(b); and in this definition “carriageway” means a way constituting or comprised in a trunk road (other than a cycle track) 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;

“works” mean carriageway repairs;

“a first works period” means a period of 13 hours starting at 16.00 hours on Monday 5th December 2011 or on any subsequent day until the works have been completed;

“a second works period” means a period of 7 hours starting at 22.00 hours on Monday 5th December 2011 or on any subsequent day until the 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.

(b) S.I. 2002/3113; Part I.

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 4 and 5 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in –

- (a) any lay-by adjacent to the trunk road, during a first works period, or
- (b) the trunk road or a slip road, during a second works period.

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

5. The provisions of article 3 shall not apply to a vehicle –

- (a) being used for, or in connection with, the works or for traffic officer or winter service 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Woodlands, Manton Lane, Bedford
21st November 2011

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