

**2012 No. 1472**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A23 Trunk Road (Handcross - Warninglid) (Temporary  
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>28th May 2012</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>16th June 2012</i>

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A23 Trunk Road and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on a length of that road and on some of those connecting roads 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 A23 Trunk Road (Handcross – Warninglid) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 16th June 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the trunk road” means the A23 Trunk Road in the County of West Sussex;

“the length of trunk road” means both carriageways of the trunk road between Pease Pottage Interchange (M23 Junction 11/A264) and Bolney Interchange (A272);

“the northbound carriageway” and “the southbound carriageway” mean, respectively, the northbound carriageway and the southbound carriageway of the second length of trunk road;

“recovery vehicle” has the meaning given in paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the Vehicle Excise and Regulation Act 1994(b);

“overall width” has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulation 1986(c);

"abnormal load" means a vehicle having an overall width exceeding 9 feet 6 inches;

"a first slip road" means –

- (i) any road leading to or from the northbound carriageway or to or from the southbound carriageway of the trunk road at Handcross Junction (B2110/B2114),
- (ii) any road leading to or from the northbound carriageway or to or from the southbound carriageway of the trunk road at Warninglid Junction (B2115),

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(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) 1994 c.22.

(c) S.I. 1986/1078; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

- (iii) the road leading to the northbound carriageway of the trunk road from Jeremy's Lane north of Bolney Interchange (A272), or
- (iv) the road leading from the northbound carriageway of the trunk road to Jeremy's Lane north of Bolney Interchange (A272);

"a second slip road" means –

- (v) the road leading to the southbound carriageway of the trunk road at Pease Pottage Interchange (M23 Junction 11/A264), or
- (vi) the road leading to the northbound carriageway of the trunk road at Bolney Interchange (A272);

“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 and General Directions 2002(a);

“an A23 lay-by” means –

- (i) the lay-by in the northbound carriageway of the trunk road between points 800 metres north Slaugham underbridge (Staplefield Road) and 920 metres north of that underbridge,
- (ii) the lay-by in the northbound carriageway of the trunk road between points 630 metres south of Slaugham underbridge (Staplefield Road) and 530 metres south of that underbridge, or
- (iii) the lay-by in the southbound carriageway of the trunk road between points 153 metres south of Handcross Junction overbridge (B2110) and 236 metres south of that overbridge;

“specified signs” means –

- (i) signs of the type, colour and size shown in diagram 7103 in Part II of Schedule 12 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(b) which comply with the provisions of regulation 56 of those Regulations, or
- (ii) traffic signs, consisting of temporary vertical safety barriers of a character authorised by the Secretary of State under section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

“works” mean major widening works on the trunk road;

“a first works period” means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Monday 18th June 2012 or on any subsequent day until 17th December 2013; and

“a second works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 2000 hours on Monday 18th June 2012 or on any subsequent day until 17th December 2013.

**3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5, 6 and 8 below, no person shall, during -

- (a) a second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the length of trunk or a second slip road;
- (b) a first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in, or wait on, an A23 lay-by; or
- (c) a first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a first slip road.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 8 below, no person shall, during a first works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of trunk road.

**5.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 6 and 7 shall apply only at 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 any lane of the southbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any –

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(a) S.I. 2002/3113.  
(b) S.I. 2002/3113.

- (a) vehicle to enter or proceed in the southbound carriageway other than in such direction that specified signs are at all times on the right hand or offside of the vehicle; or
- (b) vehicle having an overall width exceeding 6 feet 6 inches (2.0 metres) to enter or proceed 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 any lane of the northbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any –

- (a) vehicle to enter or proceed in the northbound carriageway other than in such direction that specified signs are at all times on the right hand or offside of the vehicle; or
- (b) vehicle having an overall width exceeding 6 feet 6 inches (2.0 metres) to enter or proceed in the northbound carriageway.

(3) When pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes in a length of one carriageway but is not prohibited in any lane of the corresponding length of the other carriageway, the provisions of this article with respect to the other carriageway shall apply to that length of that carriageway.

7. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 8, no person shall, during a first works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 6 feet 6 inches (2.0 metres) to enter or proceed in -

- (b) any lane in a carriageway or length of carriageway, where one or more lanes in that carriageway or length are open for use by traffic proceeding in the same direction; or
- (c) any lane in a carriageway or length of carriageway, where only those lanes are open for use by traffic proceeding in the same direction;

and in this article a reference to a carriageway is a reference to the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway.

8. (1) Nothing in articles 3, 6(1)(b), 6(2)(b) or 7 shall apply to -

- (a) a recovery vehicle or a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;
- (b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer purposes;
- (d) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (e) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

(2) Nothing in articles 6(1)(b), 6(2)(b) or 7 shall apply to an abnormal load.

(3) Nothing in article 4 shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes and to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulation 2011(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

(4) Nothing in article 3(a) above shall apply to a vehicle proceeding in the length of trunk road to or from premises accessible from, and only from, that length of trunk road to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

28th May 2012

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.