

**2012 No. 2161**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A21 Trunk Road (Morley's Interchange – Vauxhall Lane  
Junction) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic)  
(No. 2) Order 2012**

*Made*     -   -   -   -                              *20th August 2012*

*Coming into force*   -   -                              *8th September 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A21 Trunk Road and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths 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 A21 Trunk Road (Morley's Interchange – Vauxhall Lane Junction) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) (No. 2) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 8th September 2012.

**2.** In this Order:

“the trunk road” means the A21 Trunk Road (Tonbridge By-Pass) in the County of Kent;

“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(b);

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

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

“abnormal load” means a vehicle having an overall width exceeding 3.2 metres;

“the length of trunk road” means both carriageways of the trunk road between Morley's Interchange (A225/B245) and Vauxhall Lane junction (A2014);

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

“an A21 lay-by” means any lay-by in the length of trunk road;

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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) S.I. 2002/3113.  
(c) S.I. 1986/1078; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.  
(d) 1994 c.22.

“a slip road” means –

- (i) the road leading from the A2014 and A26 to the northbound carriageway of the trunk road at Vauxhall Lane junction,
- (ii) the road leading from the A26 (London Road) to the northbound carriageway of the trunk road at Quarry Hill Interchange, or
- (iii) the road leading from the A225 and B245 to the southbound carriageway of the trunk road at Morley’s Interchange;

“works” mean re-waterproofing, resurfacing, bridge deck drainage, joint replacement and bridge deck concrete repair and all associated works on the trunk road;

“a works period” means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Wednesday 12th September 2012 or on any subsequent day until 7th March 2014;

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 -

- (a) cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the southbound carriageway, the northbound carriageway or a slip road;
- (b) cause or permit any abnormal load to enter or proceed in the length of trunk road;
- (c) cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in, or wait on, an A21 lay-by; or
- (d) cause or permit any vehicle to overtake any other moving vehicle in the length of trunk road.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 7, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of trunk road or a slip road.

**5.** The provisions of articles 3, 4 and 6 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 the southbound carriageway but is not prohibited in the northbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the offside lane of the northbound carriageway in any direction other than southwards.

(2) During such times as, pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in the northbound carriageway but is not prohibited in the southbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the offside lane of the southbound carriageway in any direction other than northwards.

(3) When pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in a length of one carriageway but is not prohibited in 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.** (1) Nothing in article 3 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;
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

(2) 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) Regulations 2011<sup>(a)</sup> when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

20th August 2012

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