

2013 No. 1524

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A1(M) Motorway (Junction 63 to Junction 65) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013**

Made - - - - *13th June 2013*

Coming into force - - *23rd June 2013*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1(M) Motorway and connecting roads, in the County of Durham and the District of Gateshead, is satisfied that traffic on that motorway and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway resurfacing and routine maintenance 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), makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A1(M) Motorway (Junction 63 to Junction 65) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 23rd June 2013.

2. In this Order; –

“the A1(M)” means the A1(M) Motorway;

“the first length of carriageway” means the A1(M) northbound carriageway from the centreline of Lumley Thicks overbridge northwards for a distance of 7400 metres;

“the second length of carriageway” means the A1(M) northbound carriageway from the nose of the northbound exit slip road to the nose of the northbound entry slip road at Junction 63 (Blind Lane), a distance of 880 metres;

“the third length of carriageway” means the A1(M) northbound carriageway from a point 340 metres north of the northbound entry slip road at Junction 63 northwards for a distance of 3270 metres;

“a slip road” means any of the following slip roads:

- (i) the A1(M) northbound entry slip road at Junction 63;
- (ii) the A1(M) northbound exit and entry slip roads at Junction 64 (Vigo);

“the works period” means a period of:

- (i) 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 24th June 2013 or any subsequent Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Sunday night thereafter until the said works have been completed; or
- (ii) 12 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Friday 28th June 2013 and any subsequent Friday or Saturday 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.

(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.

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.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 5 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of carriageway or a 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 third 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

13th June 2013

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.

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