

**2013 No. 1545**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A12 Trunk Road (Boreham to Witham, Essex) (Temporary  
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013**

*Made* - - - - *24th June 2013*

*Coming into force* - - *1st July 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A12 Trunk Road (“the A12”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and on some of those connecting roads in the County of Essex should be restricted and prohibited because works are proposed to be executed thereon:

AND WHEREAS he is also satisfied that provision should be made for the restriction of traffic on the alternative roads:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(a), 5(b) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), and with the consent of Essex County Council insofar as the alternative road is concerned, hereby makes the following Order:-

**1.** This Order may be cited as the A12 Trunk Road (Boreham to Witham, Essex) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 1st July 2013.

**2.** In this Order –

“Junction 19”, “Junction 20A”, “Junction 20B” “Junction 21” and “Junction 22” mean, respectively, the A12/A138/A130/B1137 Boreham Interchange Junction 19, the A12/B1137 Hatfield Peverel Interchange (South) Junction 20A, the A12/B1137/B1019 Hatfield Peverel Interchange (North) Junction 20B, the A12/B1389 Witham South Interchange Junction 21 and the A12/B1389 Coleman’s Interchange Junction 22;

“tip of the nosing” means, as indicated by the markings on the carriageway, the first point where an entry slip road joins, or the last point where an exit slip road leaves, the carriageway of the trunk road;

“a first length of trunk road” means the A12 –

- (a) northbound carriageway from a point 1500 metres south of the over-bridge at Junction 19, Boreham to a point 500 metres north of Wellington over-bridge, Hatfield Peverel, and
- (b) southbound carriageway from a point 400 metres north of Oliver’s under-bridge Witham to Station Road over-bridge, Hatfield Peverel;

“a second length of trunk road” means the southbound carriageway of the A12 between points 3000 metres north and 2800 metres south of Coleman’s Bridge, Witham;

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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.

“a third length of trunk road” means the –

- (a) northbound carriageway of the A12 between the tips of the nosings of the exit slip road at Junction 19 and the entry slip road at Junction 20B, and
- (b) southbound carriageway of the A12 between the tips of the nosings of the exit slip road at Junction 20B and the entry slip road at Junction 19;

“a fourth length of trunk road” means the –

- (a) northbound carriageway of the A12 between points 950 metres south of Porters Park Bridge and 500 metres north of Wellington Bridge, and
- (b) southbound carriageway between points 400 metres north of Oliver’s Bridge and Station Road Bridge;

“a fifth length of trunk road” means the southbound carriageway of the A12 between the tips of the nosings of the exit slip road at Junction 22 and the entry slip road at Junction 21;

“the northbound carriageway” and “the southbound carriageway” mean, respectively, the northbound carriageway and the southbound carriageway of the A12 between points 200 metres north and 300 metres south of Wellington over-bridge, Hatfield Peverel;

“the slip road” means the exit slip road from the southbound carriageway of the A12 at Junction 22;

“a first slip road” means the entry slip road to the –

- (a) northbound carriageway of the A12 from the A138 or A130 at Junction 19,
- (b) northbound carriageway of the A12 at junction 20B, and
- (c) southbound carriageway of the A12 at Junction 21;

“a second slip road” means the entry slip road to the -

- (a) northbound carriageway of the A12 from the A138 or A130 at Junction 19,
- (b) northbound carriageway of the A12 at Junction 20B, and
- (c) southbound carriageway of the A12 at Junction 20A;

“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); 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;

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

“the alternative road” means Bridge Street, Witham;

“works” mean hardening of the central reserve, re-profiling of existing carriageway to enable major repairs to damaged steel bridge beam and concrete deck and ancillary maintenance on Wellington Bridge, bridge joint replacement, carriageway surfacing and waterproofing repairs to the River Ter Bridge, installation of bridge monitoring equipment to Bury Lane Bridge and Station Road Bridge, Hatfield Peverel and inspection, survey and repairs on Oliver’s Bridge, Witham;

“the works period” means the period starting at 21.00 hours on Monday 8th July 2013 and ending when the works have been completed;

“a works period” means a period of –

- (a) 8 hours starting at 21:00 hours on Monday 8th July 2013 or on any subsequent day (other than a Friday or a Saturday),

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(a) 2002/3113; Part 1.  
(b) S.I. 1986/1078, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

- (b) 11 hours starting on Friday 12th July 2013 or on any subsequent Friday, and
  - (c) 12 hours starting on Saturday 13th July 2013 or on any subsequent Saturday,
- until the works have been completed;

and a reference to a bridge is a reference to the centre point of that bridge 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 7 and 8 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to overtake any other moving vehicle or to be driven at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on a first length of trunk road or a first slip road, or 50 miles per hour on a second length of trunk road or the slip road.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to –

- (a) enter or proceed in the northbound carriageway,
- (b) enter or proceed in the offside lane of the southbound carriageway in any direction other than northwards, or
- (c) overtake any other moving vehicle in the southbound carriageway.

**5.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to –

- (a) enter or proceed in the southbound carriageway,
- (b) enter or proceed in the offside lane of the northbound carriageway in any direction other than southwards, or
- (c) overtake any other moving vehicle in the northbound carriageway.

**6.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle –

- (a) to enter or proceed in a third length of trunk road, a fifth length of trunk road or a second slip road, during a works period,
- (b) to enter any lay-by adjacent to a first length of trunk road, during the works period, or
- (c) with an overall width exceeding 3.0 metres from proceeding in the nearside lane, or 1.981 metres from proceeding in the offside lane, of a fourth length of trunk road, during the works period.

**7.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs.

**8.** The provisions of –

- (a) articles 4(a), 5(a) and 6 shall not apply to a vehicle –
  - (i) being used for, or in connection with, the works or for traffic officer purposes,
  - (ii) being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes,
  - (iii) proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform, or
  - (iv) requiring access to or from properties which are accessible from, and only from, the trunk road;
- (b) article 6(b) shall not apply to a vehicle described in article 6(c) waiting in a designated lay-by on the northbound carriageway of the A12 situated 180 metres south of Crix bridge, or the southbound carriageway of the A12 situated 510 metres south of Oliver's bridge, to be escorted through the works by an authorised vehicle;

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to a vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (a)(ii) of this article, or to any vehicle 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.

9. During a works period, the provisions of Essex County Council (Various Roads, Witham) Weight Restriction) Order 2001 are hereby suspended in relation to the alternative road.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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24th June 2013

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.