2013 No. 2088

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A1 Trunk Road (Eighton Lodge Interchange to Lobley Hill Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic)
Order 2013

 Made
 4th July 2013

 Coming into force
 13th July 2013

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1 Trunk Road, the A1(M) Motorway, the A194(M) Motorway and connecting roads, in the District of Gateshead, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road, that motorway and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because bridge refurbishment 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 Trunk Road (Eighton Lodge Interchange to Lobley Hill Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 13th July 2013.

2. In this Order; -

"the A1" means the A1 Trunk Road;

"the A1(M)" means the A1(M) Motorway northbound carriageway from the centreline of the overbridge at Junction 64 (Vigo) northwards for a distance of 2300 metres;

"the A194(M)" means the A194(M) Motorway northbound carriageway from the nose of the diverge with the A1(M) Motorway northbound carriageway northwards for a distance of 700 metres;

"the first length of trunk road" means the A1 northbound and southbound carriageways between the centreline of the A1231 overbridge at Birtley Interchange and the centreline of the northern overbridge at the A692 Lobley Hill Interchange, a distance of 6650 metres;

"the second length of trunk road" means the A1 northbound and southbound carriageways between a point 800 metres south of the centreline of Smithy Lane overbridge to a point 200 metres south of the centreline of Smithy Lane overbridge, a distance of 600 metres;

"the third length of trunk road" means the A1 northbound and southbound carriageways between a point 300 metres north of the centreline of Smithy Lane overbridge to a point 600 metres north of the centreline of the southern overbridge at Coalhouse Interchange, a distance of 1200 metres;

"the first length of carriageway" means the A1 northbound carriageway from the nose of the northbound exit slip road at the A167 Eighton Lodge Interchange to the nose of the northbound entry slip road at Coalhouse Interchange, a distance of 2850 metres;

⁽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.

"the second length of carriageway" means the A1 southbound carriageway from the nose of the southbound exit slip road at Lobley Hill Interchange to the nose of the southbound entry slip road at Eighton Lodge, a distance of 5750 metres;

"the northbound carriageway" and "the southbound carriageway" mean, respectively, the A1 northbound and southbound carriageways from a point 400 metres south of the centreline of Smithy Lane overbridge to a point 50 metres south of the centreline of the southern overbridge at Coalhouse Interchange, a distance of 1450 metres;

"a first slip road" means any of the following A1 slip roads:

- (i) the northbound and southbound exit and entry slip roads at Eighton Lodge Interchange;
- (ii) the northbound and southbound exit and entry slip roads at Coalhouse Interchange; and
- (iii) the northbound exit and southbound entry slip roads at Lobley Hill Interchange;

"a second slip road" means any of the following A1 slip roads:

- (i) the northbound entry and southbound exit slip roads at Eighton Lodge Interchange;
- (ii) the northbound exit and southbound exit and entry slip roads at Coalhouse Interchange; and
- (iii) the southbound entry slip road at Lobley Hill Interchange;

"a layby" 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 any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the A1 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 works period" means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Sunday 14th July 2013 and ending when 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.

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding:
 - (i) 50 miles per hour in the A1(M) or the A194(M);
 - (ii) 40 miles per hour in the first length of trunk road or a first slip road; or
 - (iii) 30 miles per hour in the second length of trunk road or the third length of trunk road.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the first length of carriageway, the second length of carriageway, the northbound carriageway, the southbound carriageway or a second slip road.
- **5.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 shall apply only during 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 the southbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to:
 - (a) enter or proceed in the offside lane of the southbound carriageway in any direction other than northwards,
 - (b) overtake a moving vehicle in the southbound carriageway, or
 - (c) make a u-turn in the southbound carriageway.
- (2) When, pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of a length of one carriageway but is not prohibited in the corresponding length of the other carriageway, the provision of this article with respect to that other carriageway shall apply to that length of that carriageway.

⁽a) S.I. 2002/3113. Part I.

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

- 7. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in the layby situated adjacent to the A1 southbound carriageway approximately 1300 metres south of Lobley Hill Interchange.
- **8.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 9 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 9'2" to enter or proceed in the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway.
 - **9.** Nothing in articles 4, 6 (1), save paragraph (a), 7 and 8 shall not 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 traffic officer or winter maintenance 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 any vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article.

10. 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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in the Highways Agency

4th July 2013