

2013 No. 3242

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A1(M) Motorway and the A1 Trunk Road (Junction 10 to Sandy, Bedfordshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013

Made - - - - *16th December 2013*

Coming into force - - *23rd December 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1(M) Motorway (“the A1(M)”) and the A1 Trunk Road (“the A1”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and on one of those slip roads in Central Bedfordshire, should be restricted and prohibited 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 A1(M) Motorway and the A1 Trunk Road (Junction 10 to Sandy, Bedfordshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 23rd December 2013.

2. In this Order –

“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 or the motorway;

“the first length of trunk road” means the A1 between points 800 metres north and 800 metres south of the centre point of the A6001 London Road (Biggleswade South) Roundabout, including the circulatory carriageway of that roundabout;

“the second length of trunk road” means the A1 from the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 10 of the A1(M) to its junction with the southern side of the A603 Roundabout, Sandy;

“the slip road” means the entry slip road to the northbound carriageway of the A1(M) at Junction 10;

“operating weight” shall be calculated as provided in section 138 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

“works” mean carriageway resurfacing and construction, earthworks, drainage and safety fencing and lighting installation at the A6001 Biggleswade South Roundabout;

“the works period” means the period starting at 08.00 hours on Monday 6th January 2014 and ending when the works have been completed;

(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 works period” means a period of –

- (a) 10½ hours starting at 19.30 hours on Monday 6th January 2014 or on any subsequent day other than a Friday, or
- (b) 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Friday 10th January 2014 or on any subsequent Friday, until the works have been completed;

and –

- (a) the lanes of a carriageway are numbered from the nearside lane (lane 1) to the offside lane (lane 2); and
- (b) 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 6 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of trunk road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 no person shall, cause or permit any vehicle –

- (a) to enter or proceed in the second length of trunk road or the slip road, during a works period, or
- (b) with an operating weight exceeding 7.5 tonnes in lane 2 of the first length of trunk road, during the works period.

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.

6. The provisions of article 4 shall not apply to a vehicle –

- (a) being used in connection with the works or for traffic officer or winter maintenance purposes,
- (b) being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes,
- (c) proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or traffic officer in uniform, or
- (d) any vehicle requiring access to or from properties which are accessible from, and only from, the trunk road;

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

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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16th December 2013

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