

2011 No. 2560

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A14 Trunk Road (Junction 40 Higham Interchange, Suffolk)
Westbound (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic)
Order 2011**

Made - - - - *10th October 2011*

Coming into force - - *17th October 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A14 Trunk Road (“the A14”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on a length of that road and on some of those connecting roads in the County of Suffolk 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 A14 Trunk Road (Junction 40 Higham Interchange, Suffolk) Westbound (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 17th October 2011.

2. In this Order –

“tip of the nosing” means, as indicated by the road 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;

“the first length of trunk road” means the westbound carriageway of the A14 from a point 1000 metres east of the tip of the nosing, to the tip of the nosing, of the exit slip road at Junction 40 Higham Interchange;

“the second length of trunk road” means the westbound carriageway of the A14 from the tip of the nosing of, to a point 380 metres west of the tip of the nosing of, the entry slip road at Junction 40 Higham Interchange;

“the third length of trunk road” means the westbound carriageway of the A14 between the tips of the nosing’s of the exit slip road and the entry slip road at Junction 40 Higham Interchange;

“a slip road” means the A14 westbound exit and entry slip roads leading to and from Junction 40 Higham Interchange;

“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); and in this

(a) 1984 c.27; a new section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 199 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.
(b) 2002/3113; Part 1.

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;

“the lay-by” means the lay-by adjacent to the westbound carriageway of the A14 situated 150 metres east of the centre point of Higham Road overbridge;

“works” mean carriageway resurfacing and road marking;

“the works period” means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Tuesday 18th October 2011 and ending when the works have been completed;

“a works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Tuesday 18th October 2011 or on any subsequent day until the 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 6 and 7 no person shall, during a works period, drive any vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of trunk road or a slip road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to overtake any other moving vehicle or to drive any vehicle at a speed exceeding –

(a) 10 miles per hour on a length of the second length of trunk road whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under section 64 of the Traffic Road Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on those lengths are displayed, or

(b) 50 miles per hour on a length of the second length of trunk road whilst such traffic signs, as specified in paragraph (a) of this article, in relation to those lengths are not displayed.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in –

(a) the third length of trunk road, during a works period, or

(b) the lay-by, during the works period.

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

7. Nothing in article 5 shall apply to a vehicle –

(a) being used for, or in connection with, the works, or for winter service maintenance or traffic officer purposes,

(b) being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes, or

(c) proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a police officer, or traffic officer in uniform;

and nothing in articles 3 and 4 shall apply to a vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (b) of this article or 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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10th October 2011

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