

2012 No. 2083

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A66 Trunk Road (Rokeby Park to Thorpe Grange) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

Made - - - - *2nd August 2012*

Coming into force - - *12th August 2012*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A66 Trunk Road, in the County of Durham, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway resurfacing, lining and road stud renewal 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 A66 Trunk Road (Rokeby Park to Thorpe Grange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 12th August 2012.

2. In this Order;

“the A66” means the A66 Trunk Road;

“the first length of carriageway” mean the A66 from a point 1250 metres west of the centreline of Rokeby Park Junction to a point 2350 metres east of the centreline of Rokeby Park Junction, a distance of 3600 metres;

“the second length of carriageway” means the A66 eastbound carriageway from the centreline of Rokeby Park Junction to the centreline of the Thorpe Grange Junction, a distance of 1800 metres;

“the eastbound carriageway” and “the westbound carriageway” mean, respectively, the A66 eastbound and westbound carriageways from the centreline of Rokeby Park Junction westwards for a distance of 400 metres;

“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(b); and in this definition “carriageway” means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the A66 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 central reservation” means that part of the A66 which separates its carriageways for the safety and guidance of traffic using that road;

“the first works period” means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Monday 13th August 2012 and ending when the said works have been completed;

“the second works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 13th August 2012 or any subsequent 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.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 10 no person shall, during the first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the first length of carriageway.

(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.
(b) S.I. 2002/3113. Part I.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 10 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven in the first length of carriageway at a speed exceeding:

- (a) 10 miles per hour whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under Section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on those carriageways are displayed; or
- (b) 40 miles per hour whilst such traffic signs in relation to those carriageways are not displayed.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 10 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of carriageway or the eastbound carriageway.

6. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

7. (1) During such times, as pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of the eastbound carriageway but is not prohibited in the westbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (a) enter or proceed in the offside lane of the westbound carriageway in any direction other than eastwards,
- (b) overtake a moving vehicle in the westbound carriageway, or
- (c) make a u-turn in the westbound 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

8. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 10 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in the layby situated adjacent to the A66 eastbound carriageway approximately 100 metres east of Rokeby Park Junction.

9. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 10 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed through a gap in the central reservation:

- (i) opposite the access to Greta Bridge Farm;
- (ii) opposite Thorpe Grange Junctions; or
- (iii) approximately 65 metres east of the access to Greta Bridge Farm.

10. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 10 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter the A66 eastbound carriageway at Rokeby Park Junction or Greta Bridge Junction.

11. Nothing in articles 4, 6 (1), save paragraphs (a), 7, 8 and 9 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 any vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article;

and nothing in articles 4, 8 and 9 shall apply to any vehicle or person proceeding in the A66 to or from premises and property which is accessible for that vehicle or person from, and only from, that road.

12. 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

2nd August 2012

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(a) S.I 2011/935.