

2012 No. 2331

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A14 Trunk Road (Junction 38 Waterhall Interchange to
Junction 42 Westley Interchange, Suffolk) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

Made - - - - - *3rd September 2012*

Coming into force - - - - - *10th September 2012*

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 lengths 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 38 Waterhall Interchange to Junction 42 Westley Interchange, Suffolk) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 10th September 2012.

2. In this Order –

“Junction 37”, “Junction 38”, “Junction 39”, “Junction 40”, “Junction 41”, “Junction 42” and “Junction 43” mean, respectively, the A14/A142 Exning Interchange Junction 37, the A14/A11/A1304 Waterhall Interchange Junction 38, the A14/A142 Kentford Interchange Junction 39, the A14/C624/C658 Higham Interchange Junction 40, the A14/C626 Risby Interchange Junction 41, the A14/A1303 Westley Interchange Junction 42 and the A14/A134 St Saviours Interchange Junction 43;

“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;

“the first length of trunk road” means the A14 –

- (a) eastbound carriageway from the centre point of Herringswell Road overbridge to a point 200 metres east of the centre point of Higham Railway underbridge, and
- (b) westbound carriageway from a point 1800 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 40 to a point 200 metres west of the centre point of Higham Railway underbridge;

(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 trunk road” means the westbound carriageway of the A14 from the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 40 to the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 39;

“the third length of trunk road” means the A14 –

(a) eastbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 38 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 40, and

(b) westbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 42 to the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 39;

“the fourth length of trunk road” means the A14 between points 150 metres east and 150 metres west of the centre point of Higham Railway bridge;

“a slip Road” means the A14 –

(a) eastbound entry slip road at Junction 39,

(b) westbound entry slip road at Junction 40,

(c) westbound entry slip road at Junction 41, and

(d) westbound entry slip road at Junction 42;

“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 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);

“works” mean replacement of expansion joints and verge waterproofing on Higham Railway bridge;

“a works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Monday 17th September 2012 or on any subsequent day until the works have been completed;

“the works period” means the period starting at 06.00 hours on Monday 17th September 2012 and ending when 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 5 and 6 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding –

(a) 50 miles per hour on the first length of trunk road, during the works period,

(b) 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 that length are displayed, during a works period, or

(c) 50 miles per hour on a length of the second length of trunk road when such traffic signs as described at (b) above are not displayed, during a works period.

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

(a) to enter or proceed in the third length of trunk road or a slip road, during a works period,

(b) with an overall width exceeding 1.981 metres to enter or proceed in the offside lane of the fourth length of trunk road, during a works period, or

(c) during the works period, to enter any lay-by adjacent to the A14 –

(i) eastbound carriageway between Junction 37 and Junction 40, and

(a) S.I. 2002/3113; Part I.

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

(ii) westbound carriageway between Junction 39 and Junction 43.

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. Nothing in article 3 shall apply to –

- (a) a vehicle being used for, or in connection with, the works,
- (b) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority, ambulance or traffic officer purposes, or
- (c) anything done at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform,

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

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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3rd September 2012

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.