

**2012 No. 3140**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A11 Trunk Road (Fiveways to Thetford Improvement)  
(Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made* - - - 26th October 2012

*Coming into force* - - 2nd November 2012

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A11 Trunk Road (“the A11”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and on some of those connecting roads in the Counties of Suffolk and Norfolk 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 A11 Trunk Road (Fiveways to Thetford Improvement) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 2nd November 2012.

2. In this Order –

“the trunk road” means the A11 between its junction with the B1085 at Red Lodge in Suffolk and its junction with the A134 at the Brandon Road Roundabout in Norfolk;

“lay-by” means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles and 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 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;

“overall width” has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(c);

“a bicycle” means a pedal cycle with fewer than four wheels and not being a mechanically propelled vehicle;

“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;

“bus” has the meaning given in regulation 22(2) of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(b);

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(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) 2002/3113; Part I, to which there are amending instruments not relevant to this Order.

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

“a slip road” means the –

- (a) entry slip road to the northbound carriageway of the A11 from the B1085 (Red Lodge) junction, and
- (b) exit slip road from the southbound carriageway of the A11 to the B1085 (Red Lodge) junction;

“central reservation” means that part of the trunk road which separates the carriageway to be used by traffic moving in one direction from the carriageway which is to be used by traffic moving in the opposite direction;

“works” mean the construction of the A11 Fiveways to Thetford Improvement Scheme;

“the works period” means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Sunday 4th November 2012 and ending when the works have been completed;

“a works period” means a period of –

- (a) 12 hours starting at 19:00 hours on Monday 5th November 2012 or on any subsequent day (other than a Friday or a Saturday), or
- (b) 15 hours starting at 19:00 hours on Friday 9th November 2012 or on any subsequent Friday or Saturday,

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 7, 8 and 9 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding –

- (a) 10 miles per hour on a length of the trunk road whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on that length are displayed, during a works period, or
- (b) 40 miles per hour or 50 miles per hour on a length of the trunk road when such traffic signs as described at (a) above are not displayed, during the works period.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle –

- (a) to enter or proceed in any lay-by adjacent to the trunk road,
- (b) with an overall width exceeding 4.1 metres to enter or proceed in the trunk road,
- (c) to overtake any other moving vehicle in the trunk road, or
- (d) to enter or leave the trunk road at its junction with the C616 (to Mildenhall), B1112 (Icklingham to Eriswell), B1106 (Brandon to Bury St Edmunds) and C633 (to Euston).

**5.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no –

- (a) pedestrian, or person using a bicycle, shall enter or proceed,
- (b) person shall ride upon a horse, and
- (c) person shall cause or permit any cart or carriage which is drawn by a horse to enter or proceed,

in the trunk road, during the works period.

**6.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to –

- (a) enter or proceed in the trunk road or a slip road, or
- (b) proceed through the gap in the central reservation of the trunk road opposite its junctions with the Newmarket Road (Barton Mills) and the Herringswell Road.

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

**8.** Nothing in –

- (a) articles 3 and 5 shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority, or ambulance purposes,
- (b) articles 4, 5 and 6 shall apply to –
  - (i) a vehicle being used for, or in connection with, the works or for winter maintenance or traffic officer purposes,
  - (ii) any vehicle proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a police constable, or a traffic officer in uniform,
  - (iii) any vehicle requiring access to properties which are accessible from, and only from, the trunk road,
  - (iv) any pedestrian engaged in the works or in the police, ambulance, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer service, or
  - (v) any pedestrian leaving a vehicle that is prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond his or her control, and
- (c) article 4(a) shall apply to –
  - (i) a bus, or
  - (ii) to a vehicle described in article 4(b) who has been directed to wait in a lay-by to be escorted through the works by an authorised vehicle.

**9.** Nothing in article 3 shall apply to a vehicle falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011<sup>(a)</sup> 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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(a) S.I. 2011/935.