

**2014 No. 1656**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A31 Trunk Road (Stag Gate – Almer Cross Roads)  
(Temporary 40 Miles Per Hour Speed Restriction) Order 2014**

*Made* - - - - - *16th June 2014*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *5 July 2014*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A31 Trunk Road, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted on a length of that road for the purpose of facilitating the holding of a relevant event:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 16A(2)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the A31 Trunk Road (Stag Gate – Almer Cross Roads) (Temporary 40 Miles Per Hour Speed Restriction) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 5th July 2014.

2. In this Order:

“the trunk road” means the A31 Trunk Road in the County of Dorset;

“the length of trunk road” means the trunk road between Stag Gate and Almer cross roads west of Sturminster Marshall;

“event” means the Macmillan Charity cycle ride; and

“an event period” means a period starting on Sunday 6th July 2014 or on any subsequent Sunday until 3rd August 2014.

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4 below, no person shall, during an event period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of trunk road.

4. The provisions of article 3 above shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs, and shall not apply to vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes and to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(b) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

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(a) 1984 c.27; section 16A was inserted by the Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Act 1994 (c.11), section 1(1).  
(b) S.I. 2011/935.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

16th June 2014

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