## 2011 No. 290

## ROAD TRAFFIC

The A303 Trunk Road (Southfields Roundabout, Ilminster) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011

Made - - - - 31st January 2011

Coming into force - - 5th February 2011

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A303 Trunk Road ("the A303"), is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road near Ilminster in the County of Somerset should be prohibited and restricted 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 A303 Trunk Road (Southfields Roundabout, Ilminster) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 5th February 2011.

## 2. In this Order –

"the first length of the A303" means (i) the A303 westbound near Ilminster from a point at the centre of the Owl Street Overbridge to a point at the centre of the B3168 Overbridge; and (ii) the A303 eastbound near Ilminster from a point at the centre of the Whitney Hill Overbridge to a point 500 metres west of the centre of Cheshays Hill Overbridge;

"the second length of the A303" means (i) the A303 westbound near Ilminster from a point at the centre of the B3168 Overbridge to a point 500 metres west of the centre of Cheshays Hill Overbridge; (ii) the A303 eastbound near Ilminster from a point at the centre of Cheshays Hill Overbridge to a point at the centre of the B3168 Overbridge; and (iii) the circulatory carriageway at the A303 Southfields Roundabout;

"the third length of the A303" means the A303 westbound near Ilminster from the southwestern edge of Southfields Roundabout to a point at the centre of Cheshays Hill Overbridge;

"the fourth length of the A303" means the A303 westbound near Ilminster from the southwestern edge of Southfields Roundabout to a point at the centre of Whitney Hill Overbridge;

"overall width" has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(**b**);

"the works" mean the construction of a junction entrance and the change in layout of a splitter island;

<sup>(</sup>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.

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

"the works period" means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Monday 7 February 2011 or any subsequent day and ending when the said works have been completed;

"a works period" means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Monday 7 February 2011 or any subsequent day and ending when 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 6, no person shall, during the works period:
  - (a) drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of the A303;
  - (b) drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the second length of the A303;
  - (c) cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width in excess of 3 metres to enter or proceed in the fourth length of the A303.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5, 6 and 7, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the third length of the A303.
- **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 and shall not apply to:
  - (a) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;
  - (b) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable.
- **6.** The provisions of articles 3(c) and 4 shall not apply to a vehicle being used for or in connection with the said works, for traffic officer purposes or for winter maintenance purposes.
- **7.** The provisions of article 4 shall not apply to a vehicle proceeding to or from premises that are accessible from and only from the A303.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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in the Highways Agency

31st January 2011