

**2012 No. 2226**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A31 Trunk Road (Ringwood Interchange and Ashley Heath Interchange) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made* - - - - 28th August 2012

*Coming into force* - - 15th September 2012

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A31 Trunk Road, is satisfied that traffic should be prohibited on lengths of that road 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 A31 Trunk Road (Ringwood Interchange and Ashley Heath Interchange) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 15th September 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the trunk road” means the A31 Trunk Road in the Counties of Dorset and Hampshire;

“the first length of trunk road” means both carriageways of the trunk road between the slip roads leading to the A338 (Salisbury Road) and the B3347 at Ringwood Interchange and the slip roads leading from the A338 (Salisbury Road) and the B3347 at that Interchange;

“the second length of trunk road” means both carriageways of the trunk road between the slip roads leading to the A338 and Horton Road at Ashley Heath Interchange and the slip roads leading from the A338 and Horton Road at that Interchange;

“works” mean bridge inspection, maintenance surfacing, road marking, drainage, surveys, arboriculture, lighting, traffic monitoring and associated work on the trunk road; and

“a works period” means a period of 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 17th September 2012 or on any subsequent day until 14th March 2014.

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4 below, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the first length of trunk road or the second 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 -

(a) a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;

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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) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, traffic officer or fire and rescue authority purposes;
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

28th August 2012

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