

**2012 No. 2545**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M1 Motorway and A43 Trunk Road  
(M1 Junction 15a, Northamptonshire) (Temporary Prohibition  
of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made - - - - 17th September 2012*

*Coming into force - - 24th September 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M1 Motorway (“the M1”) and the A43 Trunk Road (“the A43”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of those roads and three of those connecting roads, south west of Northampton in the County of Northamptonshire, should be 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 M1 Motorway and A43 Trunk Road (M1 Junction 15a, Northamptonshire) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 24th September 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the trunk road” means the northbound and southbound carriageways of the A43 between its junction with Towcester Road near Blisworth and the A43/M1/A5123 roundabout junction, at M1 Junction 15a including the circulatory carriageway of that roundabout;

“a slip road” means the slip road leading –

- (i) from the northbound carriageway of the M1 at Junction 15a;
- (ii) from the A43/M1 roundabout to the Northampton services (northbound) roundabout; and
- (iii) from the A43/M1/A5123 roundabout to the Northampton services (southbound) roundabout;

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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

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“layby”	means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles and bounded partly by a road marking of the type shown in diagram 1010 in Schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations 2002 (a) and partly by the outer edge of that carriageway on the same side of the road as that on which the marking is placed; and in this definition “carriageway” means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in a length of the trunk road over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles and which has a suitable surface for the exercise of that right;
“the works period”	means the period starting at 22:00 hours on Sunday 30th September 2012 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 article 5, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the trunk road or a slip road.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 5, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the laybys adjacent to the northbound and southbound carriageways of the A43 -

- (a) approximately 1380 metres south of the centre line of the M1 Junction 15a overbridge; and
- (b) approximately 1200 metres south of the centre line of the Gayton Road/Blisworth Road over bridge (near Blisworth).

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 any vehicle-

- (a) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes;
- (b) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable, or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (c) being used in connection with the said works, or by, or with the permission of a traffic officer in uniform.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

17th September 2012

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