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ROAD TRAFFIC

The A34 Trunk Road (Chieveley Interchange – Beedon Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

Made	-	-	-	-	17th December 2012
Coming in	ito fa	orce	-	-	5th January 2013

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A34 Trunk Road, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths of that road and prohibited on some of those connecting roads 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 A34 Trunk Road (Chieveley Interchange – Beedon Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 5th January 2013.

2. In this Order:

"the trunk road" means the A34 Trunk Road in the District of West Berkshire;

"the first length of southbound carriageway" means the southbound of the carriageway of the trunk road between points 1800 metres north of the Chieveley and Beedon North Interchange underbridge (at marker post 51/8) and 1000 metres south of the Chieveley and Beedon South Interchange overbridge (at marker post 44/5);

"the second length of southbound carriageway" means the southbound carriageway of the trunk road between points 500 metres north of the Chieveley and Beedon North Interchange underbridge (at marker post 50/5) and 200 metres south of the Chieveley and Beedon South Interchange overbridge (at marker post 45/3)

"lay-by" means an area of carriageway, intended for the waiting of vehicles, 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**);

"the A34 lay-by" means the lay-by in the southbound carriageway of the trunk road 450 metres north of Down Farm overbridge;

"a slip road" means -

(i) the road leading to the northbound carriageway of the trunk road at M4 Junction 13 (Chieveley Interchange), or

 ⁽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) S.I. 2002/3113.

(ii) the road leading to the northbound carriageway of the trunk road at the Chieveley and Beedon North Interchange;

"the northbound carriageway" means the northbound carriageway of the trunk road between its diverge slip road (at marker post 43/9) at the junction with the M4 Junction 13 (Chieveley Interchange) and a point 500 metres north of the Chieveley and Beedon North Interchange underbridge (at marker post 50/5);

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

"abnormal load" means a vehicle having an overall width exceeding 3.00 metres;

"works" mean resurfacing and all associated works on the trunk road;

"a works period" means a period of 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 7th January 2013 or on any subsequent day until 4th July 2014.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period-

- (a) cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in, or wait on, the A34 lay-by,
- (b) cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the northbound carriageway or a slip road, or
- (c) cause or permit an abnormal lead to enter or proceed in the second length of southbound carriageway.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding –

- (a) 10 miles per hour on the second length of southbound carriageway while traffic signs of a character authorised under section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 indicating "convoy working" on that length carriageway are displayed; or
- (b) 40 miles per hour on the first length of southbound carriageway when that speed is indicated by a traffic sign.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 above shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

- 6. (1) Nothing in article 3 above shall apply to -
 - (a) a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;
 - (b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer 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.

(2) Nothing in article 4 above shall apply to a 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.

⁽a) s. i. 1986/1078; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order

⁽**b**) S.I. 2011/935.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

17th December 2012

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