

**2012 No. 541**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A696 Trunk Road (Kenton Bar Interchange to Airport Roundabout) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made* - - - - - *21st February 2012*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *4th March 2012*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A696 Trunk Road and connecting roads, in the District of Newcastle upon Tyne, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because road marking and drainage 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), makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A696 Trunk Road (Kenton Bar Interchange to Airport Roundabout) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 4th March 2012.

2. In this Order; -

“the A696” means the A696 Trunk Road;

“the first length of carriageway” means the A696 eastbound and westbound carriageways from its junctions with the A1 Trunk Road Kenton Bar Interchange to its junctions with the Airport Roundabout, a distance of 4560 metres;

“the second length of carriageway” means the A696 westbound carriageway from its junction with Kenton Bar Interchange westwards for a distance of 1820 metres;

“the third length of carriageway” means the A696 westbound carriageway from the nose of the westbound exit slip road at Kenton Bank Foot Interchange to the nose of the westbound entry slip road Black Callerton Lane Interchange, a distance of 2920 metres;

“a first slip road” means any of the following the A696 slip roads:

- (i) eastbound and westbound exit and entry slip roads at Kenton Bank Foot Interchange;
- (ii) eastbound and westbound exit and entry slip roads at Black Callerton Lane Interchange;

“the second slip road” means the A696 westbound entry slip road at Kenton Bank Foot Interchange;

“a layby” 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); and in this definition “carriageway” means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the A696 over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles and which has a surface suitable for the exercise of that right;

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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) S.I. 2002/3113. Part I.

“a bicycle” means any pedal cycle having four wheels or fewer not being a motor vehicle;

“the first works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 5th March 2012 or any subsequent day thereafter until the said works have been completed;

“the second works period” means a period of 9 hours starting at 08:00 hours on Monday 5th March 2012 or any subsequent day thereafter until 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 8 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in:

- (i) first length of carriageway, during the first works period; or
- (ii) the second length of carriageway, during the second works period.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 8 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in:

- (i) a first slip road, during the first works period; or
- (ii) the second slip road, during the second works period.

5. Subject as mentioned in article 8 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit a bicycle to enter or proceed in the third length of carriageway.

6. Subject as mentioned in article 8 no person shall, during the first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in the layby situated adjacent to the A696 westbound carriageway approximately 1060 metres west of entry slip road at Kenton Bank Foot Interchange or eastbound carriageway 770 metres east of the entry slip road at Black Callerton Lane Interchange.

7. Subject as mentioned in article 8 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to overtake another moving vehicle in the second length of carriageway.

8. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs. Nothing in articles 4, 5, 6 and 7 shall apply to:

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

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to any vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article.

9. No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011<sup>(a)</sup> when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

21st February 2012

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.