2012 No. 778

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A1(M) Motorway (Junction 60 to Junction 61) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

 Made
 8th March 2012

 Coming into force
 18th March 2012

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1(M) Motorway and connecting roads, in the County of Durham, is satisfied that traffic on that motorway and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because road marking, road stud renewal and routine maintenance works are proposed to be executed thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(a) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), makes the following Order: -

- **1.** This Order may be cited as the A1(M) Motorway (Junction 60 to Junction 61) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 18th March 2012.
 - 2. In this Order; -

"the A1(M)" means the A1(M) Motorway;

"the first length of northbound carriageway" means the A1(M) northbound carriageway from a point 2000 metres south of the nose of the northbound exit slip road at Junction 60 (Bradbury) northwards for a distance of 12150 metres;

"the second length of northbound carriageway" means the A1(M) northbound carriageway from the nose of the northbound exit slip road at Junction 60 to the nose of the northbound entry slip road at Junction 61 (Bowburn), a distance of approximately 10150 metres;

"a first slip road" means the A1(M) northbound exit and entry slip roads at Junction 60 and the northbound exit slip road at Junction 61;

"a second slip road" means the A1(M) northbound entry slip road at Junction 60 and the northbound exit slip road at Junction 61;

"the works period" means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 19th March 2012 or any subsequent night 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 5 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the first length of northbound carriageway or a first 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 second length of northbound carriageway or a second slip road.

⁽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.

- **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. Nothing in article 4 shall not 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 a vehicle being used for the purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article.

- **6.** 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(**a**) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.
- **7.** The provisions of regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(**b**) are suspended in relation to the hard shoulder adjacent to the second length of northbound carriageway or a first slip road as described in article 2 at such times and to such extent as may, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article "hard shoulder" has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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8th March 2012

⁽a) S.I 2011/935.

⁽b) S.I. 1982/1163; amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479. 1992/1364.