

**2012 No. 95**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A21 Trunk Road (Morley's Interchange – Vauxhall Lane Junction) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made* - - - - *9th January 2012*

*Coming into force* - - *28th January 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A21 Trunk Road and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths of that road and 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 A21 Trunk Road (Morley's Interchange – Vauxhall Lane Junction) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 28th January 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the trunk road” means the A21 Trunk Road (Tonbridge Bypass) in the County of Kent;

“the first length of carriageway” means the coastbound carriageway of the trunk road from the centreline of the southern overbridge at Morley's Interchange (A225/B245) to a point 1000 metres south of that overbridge;

“a second length of carriageway” means –

(i) the coastbound carriageway of the trunk road between points 1000 metres south of the centreline of the southern overbridge at Morley's Interchange (A225/B245) and 700 metres north of the centreline of Philpots Lane overbridge, or

(ii) the Londonbound carriageway of the trunk road between points 500 metres east of Vauxhall Lane underbridge (A2014) and 220 metres west of the centreline of the Tonbridge and High Brooms railway underbridge at Vauxhall Lane junction (A2014);

"a third length of carriageway" means both carriageways of the trunk road between points 700 metres north of the centreline of Philpots Lane overbridge and 220 metres west of the centreline of the Tonbridge and High Brooms railway underbridge at Vauxhall Lane junction (A2014);

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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.

"the first slip road" means the road leading to the coastbound carriageway of the trunk road at Morleys Interchange (A225/B245);

"a second slip road" means –

- (i) the road leading to the Londonbound carriageway of the trunk road at Vauxhall Lane junction (A2014),
- (ii) the road leading from the Londonbound carriageway of the trunk road at Vauxhall Lane junction (A2014), or
- (iii) the road leading to the Londonbound carriageway of the trunk road at Quarry Hill Junction (A26 – London Road);

"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(a);

"an A21 lay-by" means –

- (i) the lay-by in the coastbound carriageway of the trunk road 350 metres north of Powder Mill Lane,
- (ii) the lay-by in the coastbound carriageway of the trunk road 55 metres north of Upper Haysden Lane, or
- (iii) the lay-by in the Londonbound carriageway of the trunk road 550 metres north of Powder Mill Lane;

"works" means patching and joint repair work on the trunk road; and

"a works period" means a period of 9 hours starting at 2000 hours on Monday 30th January 2012 or on any subsequent day until 27th July 2013.

**3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in, or wait on, an A21 lay-by.

**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 a third length of carriageway while traffic signs of a character authorised under section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 indicating "convoy working" on that length of road are displayed;
- (b) 40 miles per hour on a second length of carriageway, a third length of carriageway or a second slip road while the traffic signs specified in paragraph (a) of this article in relation to that length of road are not displayed; or
- (c) 50 miles per hour on the first length of carriageway or the first slip road.

**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.

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(a) S.I. 2002/3113.

(b) S.I. 2011/935.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

9th January 2012

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