

2014 No. 56

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A14 Trunk Road (Junction 43 St Saviours Interchange to
Junction 47 Woolpit Interchange, Suffolk) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014**

Made - - - - *13th January 2014*

Coming into force - - *20th January 2014*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A14 (“the A14”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and on some of those connecting roads in the County of Suffolk should be restricted and 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), 5(b) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A14 Trunk Road (Junction 43 St Saviours Interchange to Junction 47 Woolpit Interchange, Suffolk) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 20th January 2014.

2. In this Order –

“Junction 43”, “Junction 44”, “Junction 45”, “Junction 46” and “Junction 47” mean, respectively, the A14/A134 St Saviours Interchange Junction 43, the A14/A143 Moreton Hall Interchange Junction 44, the U8005 Rougham (Rookery) Crossroads Junction 45, the A14/C560 Thurston Junction 46 and the A12/A1088 Woolpit Interchange Junction 47;

“tip of the nosing” means, as indicated by the road markings on the carriageway, the first point where an entry slip road joins, or the last point where an exit slip road leaves, the carriageway of the trunk 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(b); and in this definition “carriageway” means a way constituting or comprised in a trunk road (other than a cycle track) 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;

(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.

“the first length of trunk road” means the A14 –

- (a) eastbound carriageway from a point 1650 metres west of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 43 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 47, and
- (b) westbound carriageway from a point 1900 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 47 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 43;

“the second length of trunk road” means the A14 –

- (a) eastbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 43 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 47, and
- (b) westbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Broadgrass Green Junction (west of Junction 47), to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 43;

“the third length of trunk road” means the A14 –

- (a) eastbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 43 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 47, and
- (b) westbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 47 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 43;

“a first slip road” means the –

- (a) entry slip road to and exit slip road from the eastbound carriageway of the A14 at Junction 43,
- (b) exit slip road from the westbound carriageway of the A14 at Junction 47, and
- (c) entry slip road to the westbound carriageway of the A14 from Broadgrass Green Junction (west of junction 47);

“a second slip road” means the –

- (a) entry slip road to the eastbound carriageway of the A14 at Junction 43, and
- (b) entry slip road to the westbound carriageway of the A14 from Broadgrass Green Junction (west of Junction 47);

“a third slip road” means the –

- (a) westbound entry slip roads at Junction 47, Broadgrass Green Junction (west of Junction 47), Rougham Nurseries Junction, Junction 45 and Junction 44, and
- (b) eastbound entry slip roads at Junction 43, Junction 44, Junction 45 and Junction 46;

“the alternative road” means the A1088 between Elmswell and the A143 at Ixworth;

“works” mean carriageway crack repairs and resurfacing, replacement of road markings and road studs and replacement of expansion joints to the A14 Eastgate Street Bridge, Bury St Edmunds;

“the works period” means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Monday 27th January 2014 and ending when the works have been completed;

“a works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Monday 27th January 2014 or on any subsequent day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) until the 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 articles 5 and 6 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to overtake any other moving vehicle or to be driven at a speed exceeding –

- (a) 50 miles per hour on the first length of trunk road or a first slip road,
- (b) 10 miles per hour on the second length of trunk road or a second slip road, whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under section 64 of the Traffic Road Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on those lengths are displayed, or

(c) 40 miles per hour on the second length of trunk road or a second slip road, when such traffic signs as described at (b) above are not displayed.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in –

(a) the third length of trunk road or a third slip road, during a works period, or

(b) any lay-by adjacent to the second length of trunk road, during the works period.

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.

6. The provisions of article 4 shall not apply to a vehicle –

(a) being used in connection with the works or for winter maintenance or traffic officer purposes,

(b) being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes,

(c) proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or traffic officer in uniform, or

(d) requiring access to or from property which is accessible from, and only from, the trunk road;

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to a vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (b) of this article or to a vehicle 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. During a works period, the provisions of Suffolk County Council (Parishes of Elmswell, Norton, Stowlangtoft and Ixworth) (Prohibition of Heavy Commercial Vehicles over 7.5 Tonnes) Order 1993 are hereby suspended in relation to the alternative road.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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13th January 2014

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.