

2014 No. 222

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A12 Trunk Road (Colchester Bypass, Essex) Northbound
(Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014**

Made - - - - *3rd February 2014*

Coming into force - - *10th February 2014*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A12 Trunk Road (“the A12”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and on some of those connecting roads in the County of Essex, 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A12 Trunk Road (Colchester Bypass, Essex) Northbound (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 10th February 2014.

2. In this Order –

“tip of the nosing” means, as indicated by the 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;

“Junction 26”, “Junction 27”, “Junction 28” and “Junction 29” mean, respectively, the A12/A1124 Eight Ash Green Interchange Junction 26, the A12/A133 Spring Lane Interchange Junction 27, the A12 Severalls Interchange Junction 28 and the A12/A1232 Crown Interchange Junction 29;

“the first length of trunk road” means the northbound carriageway of the A12 from a point 1500 metres south of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 26 to the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 27;

“the second length of trunk road” means the northbound carriageway of the A12 from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 27 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 29;

(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 slip road” means the exit slip road from the northbound carriageway of the A12 to its junction with the northwest side of the A133 Spring Lane Roundabout at Junction 27;

“the second slip road” means the entry slip road to the northbound carriageway of the A12 at Junction 28;

“works” mean carriageway resurfacing, renewal of road markings and studs and kerbing renewal;

“the works period” means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Monday 17th February 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 17th February 2014 or on any subsequent day 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 be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of trunk road or the first slip road.

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

- (a) the second length of trunk road or the second 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, or
- (c) proceeding at the direction, 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 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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3rd February 2014

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.