

2014 No. 2972

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A1(M) Motorway (Junction 4 to Junction 6) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014**

Made - - - - - *27th October 2014*

Coming into force - - - - - *3rd November 2014*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A1(M) Motorway (“the A1(M)”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on a length of that motorway and on four of those connecting roads, in the County of Hertfordshire, 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) and regulation 16(2) of the Motorway Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b) hereby makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the A1(M) Motorway (Junction 4 to Junction 6) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 3rd November 2014.

2. In this Order –

“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 motorway;

“a first length of motorway” means the northbound carriageway of the A1(M) from the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 5 to a point 500 metres south of the centre point of the Pottersheath Road overbridge;

“a second length of motorway” means the northbound carriageway of the A1(M) from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 4 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 6;

“a third length of motorway” means the northbound carriageway of the A1(M) from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 6 to a point 500 metres south of the centre point of the Pottersheath Road overbridge;

“a slip road” means the –

- (a) entry slip road to the northbound carriageway of the A1(M) at Junction 6,
- (b) entry slip road to the southbound carriageway of the A1(M) at Junction 6;
- (c) entry slip road to the northbound carriageway of the A1(M) at Junction 4, and
- (d) entry slip road to the northbound carriageway of the A1(M) at Junction 5;

(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. 1982/1163, as amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 1996/3053, 2004/3168, 2004/3258 and 2006/594.

“works” mean Junction 6 improvements including carriageway resurfacing, road markings, signage and the installation of two full width gantries;

“a works period” means a period of –

- (a) 10½ hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 10th November 2014 or on any subsequent day (other than a Friday, Saturday or Sunday),
- (b) 10½ hours starting at 20:30 hours on Friday 14th November 2014 or on any subsequent Friday,
- (c) 11 hours starting at 21:00 on Saturday 15th November 2014 or on any subsequent Saturday, or
- (d) 11 hours starting at 21:00 on Sunday 16th November 2014 or on any subsequent 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, 6 and 7 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on a first length of motorway.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a second length of motorway or a slip road.

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 traffic officer or winter maintenance 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 a 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.

7. During a works period, 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) Regulation 1982 are hereby suspended in relation to the hard shoulder adjacent to a third length of motorway at such times and to such extent as may 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 for Transport

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