

2009 No. 2907

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A14 Trunk Road (Wherstead Interchange Junction 56 to
Trimley Interchange Junction 59, Suffolk) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2009**

Made - - - - *26 October 2009*

Coming into force - - *2 November 2009*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A14 Trunk Road (“the A14”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on that road and on some of those other 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the A14 Trunk Road (Wherstead Interchange Junction 56 to Trimley Interchange Junction 59, Suffolk) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2009 and shall come into force on 2 November 2009.

2. In this Order:

“Wherstead Interchange” and “Nacton Interchange” and “Levington Interchange” and “Trimley Interchange” mean, respectively, the A14/A137 Wherstead Interchange Junction 56, the A14/A1189 Nacton Road Nacton Interchange Junction 57, the A14/A1156 Levington Interchange/A12 Seven Hills Interchange Junction 58 and the A14/Kirton Road Trimley St. Martin Interchange Junction 59;

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

- (a) eastbound carriageway –
 - (i) between points 257 metres east and 1191 metres east of the centre point of the overbridge at Wherstead Interchange,
 - (ii) between points 880 metres east of the centre point of the underbridge at Nacton Interchange and 40 metres west of the railway overbridge east of Nacton, and
 - (iii) between the tips of the nosings of the entry slip road leading from Levington Interchange and the entry slip road leading from Trimley Interchange, and
- (b) westbound carriageway –
 - (i) between points 1319 metres east and 77 metres west of the centre point of Gainsborough Lane underbridge,

(a) 1984 c.27; a new section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 1999 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.

- (ii) between points 460 metres east and 1115 metres west of the centre point of the railway overbridge east of Nacton, and
- (iii) between the tips of the nosings of the entry slip road leading from Trimley Interchange and the entry slip road leading from Levington Interchange;

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

- (a) eastbound carriageway between the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road leading from Nacton Interchange and a point 880 metres east of the centre point of the underbridge at Nacton Interchange, and
- (b) westbound carriageway –
 - (i) between the tip of the nosing of, and a point 770 metres west of, the entry slip road leading from Nacton Interchange, and
 - (ii) between the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road leading from Levington Interchange and a point 460 metres east of the centre point of the railway overbridge east of Nacton;

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

- (a) eastbound carriageway between the tips of the nosings of the exit and entry slip roads leading to and from –
 - (i) Wherstead Interchange, and
 - (ii) Levington Interchange, and
- (b) westbound carriageway between the tips of the nosings of the exit and entry slip roads leading to and from –
 - (i) Nacton Interchange, and
 - (ii) Trimley Interchange;

“a fourth length of trunk road” means the A14 -

- (a) eastbound carriageway between the tips of the nosings of the exit and entry slip roads leading to and from Nacton Interchange, and
- (b) westbound carriageway between the tips of the nosings of the exit and entry slip roads leading to and from Levington Interchange;

“tip of the nosing” means the first point where a slip road joins, or the last point where a slip road leaves, the carriageway of the trunk road;

“a first slip road” means the A14 –

- (a) eastbound entry slip road leading from Levington Interchange, and
- (b) westbound entry slip road leading from Trimley Interchange;

“a second slip road” means the A14 –

- (a) eastbound entry slip road leading from -
 - (i) Wherstead Interchange, and
 - (ii) Nacton Interchange, and
- (b) westbound entry slip road leading from –
 - (i) Nacton Interchange, and
 - (ii) Levington Interchange;

“lay-by” means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles and bounded partly by a traffic sign of the type shown in diagram 1010 in Schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations 2002^(a) and partly by the outer edge of that carriageway on the same side of the road as that on which the sign is placed; and in this definition "carriageway" means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the trunk road 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) S.I. 2002/3113; Part I.

“the works” mean improvement works to the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the A14 between Wherstead Interchange and Trimley Interchange;

“a works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Wednesday 4 November 2009 or on any subsequent day until the said works have been completed;

“the works period” means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Wednesday 4 November 2009 and ending when 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 articles 5 and 6 no person shall, during a works period, drive any vehicle at a speed exceeding –

- (a) 10 miles per hour on a length of a first length of trunk road or a first slip road whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on those lengths are displayed,
 - (b) 50 miles per hour on a length of a first length of trunk road or a first slip road whilst such traffic signs, as specified at in paragraph (a) of this article, in relation to those lengths are not displayed, or
 - (c) 50 miles per hour on a second length of trunk road or a second slip road
4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to -
- (a) (i) enter or proceed in a third length of trunk road or a fourth length of trunk road, or
 - (ii) overtake any other moving vehicle on a first length of trunk road, a second length of trunk road, a first slip road or a second slip road,

during a works period, or

- (b) enter or proceed in any layby adjacent to a first length of trunk road, a second length of trunk road or a fourth 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 said works, for winter service maintenance or for 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 police officer 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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26 October 2009

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