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ROAD TRAFFIC

The A14 Trunk Road (Beacon Hill Interchange to Copdock Interchange, Ipswich Western Bypass) and A12 Trunk Road (Ipswich, Suffolk) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2009

Made - - - - - *21 December 2009*
Coming into force - - - - - *28 December 2009*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A14 Trunk Road (“the A14”) and connecting roads and the A12 Trunk Road (“the A12”), is satisfied that traffic on those roads 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 (Beacon Hill Interchange to Copdock Interchange, Ipswich Western Bypass) and A12 Trunk Road (Ipswich, Suffolk) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2009 and shall come into force on 28 December 2009.

2. In this Order:

“Beacon Hill Interchange”, “Claydon Interchange”, “Whitehouse Interchange”, “Sproughton Interchange” and “Copdock Interchange” mean, respectively, the A14/A140 Beacon Hill Interchange Junction 51, the A14/B1113 Claydon Interchange Junction 52, the A14/A1156 Whitehouse Interchange Junction 53, the A14/C442 Sproughton Interchange Junction 54 and the A14/A12 Copdock Interchange Junction 55;

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

- (a) eastbound carriageway from the centre point of the U4441 Pesthouse Lane overbridge to a point 400 metres west of the centre point of Grove Hill underbridge, and
- (b) westbound carriageway between the centre points of Grove Hill underbridge and the U4441 Pesthouse Lane overbridge;

“a second length of trunk road means the A14 –

- (a) eastbound carriageway between the tips of the nosings of the entry slip road at Whitehouse Interchange and the exit slip road at Sproughton Interchange, and

(a) 1984 c.27; a new section 14 was substituted by the Road Traffic (Temporary Restrictions) Act 199 (c.26), section 1(1) and Schedule 1.

(b) westbound carriageway between the tips of the nosings of the entry slip road at Copdock Interchange and the exit slip road at Sproughton Interchange;

“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 Whitehouse Interchange, and

(b) westbound carriageway between the tips of the nosings of the exit and entry slip roads leading to and from Copdock Interchange;

“a fourth length of trunk road” means the A14 eastbound and westbound carriageways from a point 100 metres west of the centre point of the C496 Station Road underbridge to the tips of the nosings of the exit slip roads leading to Copdock Interchange;

“the eastbound carriageway” and “the westbound carriageway” mean, respectively, the eastbound carriageway and the westbound carriageway of the A14 from a point 100 metres west of the centre point of the C496 Station Road underbridge to a point 790 metres east of the centre point of the Hadleigh Road overbridge;

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

“a slip road” means the A14 –

(a) eastbound entry and westbound exit slip roads leading from and to Claydon Interchange,

(b) eastbound exit and westbound exit and entry slip roads leading to and from Whitehouse Interchange, and

(c) eastbound and westbound exit and entry slip roads leading to and from Sproughton Interchange;

“the first slip road” means the A14 eastbound entry slip road leading from Whitehouse Interchange;

“the second slip road” means the A14 westbound entry slip road leading from Copdock Interchange;

“overall width” has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(a);

“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(b) 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;

“the works” mean major maintenance work on the A14 between Beacon Hill Interchange and Wherstead Interchange;

“a works period” means a period of –

(a) 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Monday 4 January 2010 or on any subsequent day (other than a Friday, Saturday or Sunday), or

(b) 58 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Friday 8 January 2010 or on any subsequent Friday, until the said works have been completed;

“the works period” means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Monday 4 January 2010 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.

(a) S.I. 1986 No 1078.

(b) S.I. 2002/3113; Part I.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during the works period, drive any vehicle at a speed exceeding –

- (a) 50 miles per hour on a first length of trunk road or a slip road,
- (b) 10 miles per hour on a length of a second length of trunk road, the first slip road or the second slip road whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under section 64 of the Traffic Road Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on that length are displayed, or
- (c) 50 miles per hour on a length of a second length of trunk road, the first slip road or the second slip road whilst such traffic signs, as specified in paragraph (a) of this article, in relation to that length are not displayed.

4.—(1) Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to –

- (a) enter or proceed in the eastbound carriageway,
- (b) proceed in the off side lane of the westbound carriageway in any direction other than eastwards, or
- (c) overtake any other moving vehicle on the westbound carriageway.

(2) Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to –

- (a) enter or proceed in the westbound carriageway,
- (b) proceed in the off side lane of the eastbound carriageway in any direction other than westwards, or
- (c) overtake any other moving vehicle on the eastbound carriageway.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle –

- (a) to enter or proceed in a third length of trunk road, a slip road or the first slip road during a works period, or
- (b) with an overall width exceeding 3.2 metres to enter or proceed in a fourth length of trunk road, unless escorted by an authorised vehicle, during the works period.

6. Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the layby adjacent to the -

- (a) A14 eastbound carriageway situated –
 - (i) 0.90 kilometres east of the centre point of the eastern underbridge at the Beacon Hill Interchange,
 - (ii) 1.05 kilometres east of the centre point of the overbridge at Whitehouse Interchange, or
 - (iii) 380 metres east of the centre point of the A1071 Hadleigh Road overbridge;
- (b) A14 westbound carriageway situated –
 - (i) 1.80 kilometres east of the centre point of the eastern overbridge at Copdock Interchange, or
 - (ii) 225 metres west of the centre point of the B1067 Bramford Road underbridge; or
- (c) A12 northbound carriageway situated 0.50 kilometres south of the centre point of the northern underbridge at Copdock Interchange.

7. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs.

8. Nothing in –

- (a) articles 4(1)(a) and (2)(a), 5 and 6 shall apply to a vehicle –
 - (i) being used in connection with the said works or for winter service maintenance or traffic officer purposes,

- (ii) being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes, or
- (iii) proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a police officer or traffic officer in uniform;
- (b) article 6(a)(i), (b)(i) and (c) shall apply to a vehicle with an overall width exceeding 3.2 metres which is waiting to be escorted through the works by an authorised vehicle, and
- (c) article 3, 4(1)(c) and (2)(c) shall apply to a vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (a)(ii) of this article.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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21 December 2009

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