

2010 No. 2532

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A419 Trunk Road (Blunsdon Bypass, Swindon) (De-restriction) and (30 & 40 mph Speed Limit) Order 2010

Made - - - - 11 October 2010

Coming into force - - 22 October 2010

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of powers conferred by section 84(1)(a) and (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) and vested in the Secretary of State(b), makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the A419 Trunk Road (Blunsdon Bypass, Swindon) (De-restriction) and (30 & 40 mph Speed Limit) Order 2010 and shall come into force on 22 October 2010.

2. The A419 Trunk Road shall be de-restricted on the northbound exit slip road at Turnpike Junction from a point approximately 97 metres southeast of the junction with Lady Lane – Turnpike Link Road to that junction with Lady Lane – Turnpike Link Road; and on the northbound entry slip road from the junction with Lady Lane - Turnpike Link Road to a point approximately 105 metres northwest of that junction with Lady Lane - Turnpike Link Road.

3. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to be driven on the A419 Trunk Road at a speed exceeding: a) 30 miles per hour on a length of the southbound exit slip road at Lady Lane Junction from a point approximately 150 metres northwest of the junction with Lady Lane Bridge to a point 88 metres northwest of that junction with Lady Lane Bridge; b) 40 miles per hour on: i) a length of the northbound exit slip road at Turnpike Junction from a point approximately 140 metres southeast of the junction with Lady Lane – Turnpike Link Road to that junction with Lady Lane – Turnpike Link Road; and ii) a length of the northbound entry slip road at Turnpike Junction from the junction with Lady Lane – Turnpike Link Road to a point approximately 105 metres northwest of that junction with Lady Lane – Turnpike Link Road.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State
For Transport

11 October 2010

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(a) 1984 c.27; section 84(1) was substituted by Road Traffic Act 1991 (c.40), section 45(2) and section 84(2) was substituted by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c.22), section 168 and Schedule 8, paragraph 61.

(b) SI 1981/238

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This does not form part of the Order)

The A419 Trunk Road has been re-aligned to form the Blunsdon Bypass. Connections to the local road network are made via new slip roads and junctions. Speed limits have been imposed on the following lengths to provide appropriate levels of safety:

- 1) At Lady Lane Bridge Junction the system of lighting imposes an automatic 30 mph speed limit on lengths of the southbound exit slip road and the southbound entry slip road. However, due to the signal controlled junction at Lady Lane Bridge, a 30 mph speed limit Order has been imposed prior to the commencement of the lighting system on the southbound exit slip road to ensure traffic approaches the traffic signals safely.
- 2) The lighting system at Turnpike Junction imposes an automatic 30 mph speed limit; this has been de-restricted to allow the 40 mph Order, described at 3) and 4) below, to apply.
- 3) At Turnpike Junction the exit slip road joins the Lady Lane – Turnpike Link Road at a T junction controlled by traffic signals. A speed limit of 40 mph has been imposed to ensure traffic approaches the signals at a safe speed to negotiate the junction and proceed on the local road network which also has a 40 mph speed limit.
- 4) Traffic wishing to join the A419 at Turnpike Junction will have left the local network, which has a 40 mph limit, via the signal controlled junction to join the entry slip road. A 40 mph speed limit has been imposed to enable traffic to negotiate the curve at the beginning of the slip road before proceeding at an appropriate speed to join the main carriageway safely.