## 2010 No. 889

## **ROAD TRAFFIC**

The A12 Trunk Road (Station Road Roundabout, Hopton-on-Sea, Norfolk to Bentley Drive Roundabout, Lowestoft, Suffolk) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2010

Made -	-	-	-	1 March 2010
Coming into	force	-	-	8 March 2010

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A12 Trunk Road ("the A12"), is satisfied that traffic on a length of that road in the Counties of Norfolk and 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 A12 Trunk Road (Station Road Roundabout, Hopton-on-Sea, Norfolk to Bentley Drive Roundabout, Lowestoft, Suffolk) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2010 and shall come into force on 8 March 2010.

2. In this Order –

"the first length of trunk road" means the southbound carriageway of the A12 between its junctions with the A12/Station Road Roundabout Hopton-on-Sea and the A12/B1375 Rackham's Corner Roundabout Lowestoft;

"the second length of trunk road" means the A12 -

- (a) northbound carriageway between the centre line of its junction with Blundeston Road Lowestoft and a point 445 metres south of the centre line of its junction with Jay Lane Hopton-on-Sea, and
- (b) southbound carriageway between its junction with the A12/Station Road Roundabout Hopton-on-Sea and the centre line of its junction with Blundeston Road Lowestoft;

"the third length of trunk road" means the A12 northbound and southbound carriageways between their junctions with the A12/A1117 Bentley Drive Roundabout Lowestoft (known locally as Tesco's Roundabout) and a point 320 metres north of the A12/B1375 Rackham's Corner Roundabout Lowestoft;

"the fourth length of trunk road" means the A12 northbound and southbound carriageways between the centre line of its junction with Blundeston Road and Jay Lane;

<sup>(</sup>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.

"the northbound carriageway" and "the southbound carriageway" mean, respectively, the northbound carriageway and the southbound carriageway of the A12 between points 342 metres north and 243 metres south of their junctions with the A12/B1375 Rackham's Corner Roundabout Lowestoft;

"central reservation" means that part of the A12 which separates its carriageway for the safety and guidance of vehicular traffic using that road;

"layby" 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 2012(**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;

"the works" mean construction works to the A12 between Lowestoft and Hopton-on-Sea;

"a works period" means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 15 March 2010 or on any subsequent day until the said works have been completed;

"the works period" means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Monday 15 March 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.

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

- (a) 10 miles per hour on a length of the first length of trunk 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, during a works period, or
- (b) 40 miles per hour on the second length of trunk road or the fourth length of trunk road, during the works period.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the third length of trunk road.

5. (1) Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in -

- (a) the northbound carriageway, or
- (b) the offside lane of the southbound carriageway in any direction other than northwards.

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

- (a) the southbound carriageway, or
- (b) the offside lane of the northbound carriageway in any direction other than southwards.

6. Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to -

- (a) overtake any other moving vehicle on the first length of trunk road or the second length of trunk road,
- (b) enter or proceed through a gap in the central reservation of the second length of trunk road,

(c) enter or leave the A12 at its junction with –

- (i) Stirrups Lane,
- (ii) Gorleston Road, or
- (iii) Corton Long Lane,

during a works period, or

<sup>(</sup>a) S.I. 2012/3113; Part I.

(d) enter any layby adjacent to the second length of trunk and the third length of trunk road, during the works period.

**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 articles 4, 5(1)(a) and (2)(a) and 6 shall apply to a vehicle –

- (a) being used for, or in connection with, the said works, for winter service 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 police officer 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

Woodlands, Manton Lane, Bedford 1 March 2010

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