STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 2053

ROAD TRAFFIC

The A43 Trunk Road (Towcester to M1 Junction 15a, Northamptonshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - - 23rd July 2012

Coming into force - - 30th July 2012

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A43 Trunk Road ("the A43"), is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road between Towcester and M1 Junction 15a in the County of Northamptonshire, 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)** , and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as A43 Trunk Road (Towcester to M1 Junction 15a, Northamptonshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 30th July 2012.

2. In this Order:

"the first length of trunk road"	means the northbound carriageway of the A43 from its roundabout junction with the A5 (Towcester Roundabout) to its roundabout junction with the slip road leading to the M1 at Junction 15a;
"the second length of trunk road"	means the southbound carriageway of the A43 from its roundabout junction with the slip road leading to the M1 at Junction 15a to its junction with the slip road leading from Towcester Road south west of Blisworth;
"the central reservation"	means that part of the trunk road which separates its northbound and southbound carriageways for the safety and guidance of vehicular traffic using those roads;

(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.

"layby"	means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles and bounded partly by a road marking 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 marking is placed; and in this definition "carriageway" means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in a length of the trunk road over which the public have a right of way for the passage of vehicles and which has a suitable surface for the exercise of that right;
"the works period"	means the period starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 6th August 2012 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, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the first length of trunk road or the second length of trunk road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed through the gap in the central reservation of the A43 at its junction with:

i) the road leading to Tiffield, 484 metres north of the A5 roundabout;
ii) Northampton Road;
iii) St Johns Road; and
iv) Towcester Road.

5. 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 any layby adjacent to the first length of trunk road or the second length of trunk road.

6. Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or leave the A43 at its junction with:

i) the road leading to Tiffield, 484 metres north of the A5 roundabout; and
ii) St Johns Road.

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.

(a) S.I. 2002/3113, Part 1.

8. The provisions of –

(1) articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 shall not apply to any vehicle –

i) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes;
ii) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable; or
iii) being used in connection with the said works; and

(2) article 6 shall not apply to any vehicle proceeding in the trunk road to or from premises which are accessible for that vehicle from, and only from, that road.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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