STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 2471

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M1 Motorway (Between Junction 14 and Junction 15, Buckinghamshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - -	*24th September 2012*
Coming into force - -	*1st October 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M1 Motorway ("the M1") is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that motorway in the County of Buckinghamshire 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 M1 Motorway (Between Junction 14 and Junction 15, Buckinghamshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 1st October 2012.

2. In this Order -

"the northbound carriageway" and "the southbound carriageway" mean, respectively, the –

(a) northbound carriageway of the M1 between points 2500 metres south and 800 metres north of the centre point of the Newport Pagnell Service Area footbridge, and

(b) southbound carriageway of the M1 between points 2500 metres north and 800 metres south of the centre point of the Newport Pagnell Service Area footbridge;

"overall width" has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(**b**);

"works" mean concrete repairs and upgrade of safety barrier adjacent to the central support of the Newport Pagnell Service Area footbridge, including grass cutting and vegetation removal;

"the works period" means the period starting at 06.00 hours on Monday 8th October 2012 and ending when the works have been completed;

and –

(a) the lanes of a carriageway are numbered from the nearside lane (lane 1) to the offside lane (lane 3); and

(b) a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to the article in this Order which bears that number.

(**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**) S.1 1986/1078, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 no person shall, during the works period, drive any vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding –

(a) 3.00 metres to enter or proceed in lane 2, or

(b) 2.75 metres to enter or proceed in lane 3,

of the northbound carriageway or the southbound carriageway.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 shall apply only at 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 for, or in connection with, the works or for winter service maintenance or traffic officer purposes,

(b) being used for police, fire and rescue authority, ambulance purposes, or

(c) proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, 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 or to a vehicle falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(**a**) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Woodlands, Manton Lane, Bedford
24 September 2012

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(**a**) S.I. 2011/935.