

**2014 No. 2428**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The A66 Trunk Road (Bowes Interchange) (Temporary  
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014**

*Made* - - - - *4th September 2014*

*Coming into force* - - *14th September 2014*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A66 Trunk Road and connecting roads, in the County of Durham, is satisfied that traffic on that trunk road and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway resurfacing, white lining and general maintenance works are proposed to be executed thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(a) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), makes the following Order:

**1.** This Order may be cited as the A66 Trunk Road (Bowes Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 14th September 2014.

**2.** In this Order: –

“the A66” means the A66 Trunk Road;

“the A67” means the A67 Trunk Road;

“the first length of carriageway” means respectively the A66 eastbound carriageway and westbound carriageway from a point 3400 metres west of the centre point of Bowes Interchange overbridge to a point 1600 metres east of the centre point of Bowes Interchange overbridge, a distance of 5000 metres;

“the westbound carriageway” means the A66 westbound carriageway from a point 990 metres west of the centre point of Bowes Interchange overbridge to a point 145 metres west of the centre point of Bowes Interchange overbridge, a distance of 845 metres;

“the eastbound carriageway” means the A66 eastbound carriageway from a point 990 metres west of the centre point of Bowes Interchange overbridge to a point 145 metres west of the centre point of Bowes Interchange overbridge, a distance of 845 metres;

“a slip road ” means any of the following slip roads:

- (i) the eastbound exit slip road at the A66 Bowes Interchange; or
- (ii) the westbound entry slip road at the A67 Bowes Interchange;

“a layby” means an area of carriageway intended for the waiting of vehicles, bounded partly by a road marking on the outer edge of that carriageway complying with diagram 1010 in Schedule 6 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(b); and in this definition “carriageway” means any way (other than a cycle track) comprised in the A66 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;

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

“the first works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20:00 hours on Monday 15th September 2014 and ending when the said works have been completed;

“the second works period” means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Monday 15th September 2014 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 5 and 8 no person shall, during the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven in the first length of carriageway at a speed exceeding:

- (a) 10 miles per hour whilst traffic signs of a character authorised under Section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 indicating “convoy working” on those carriageways are displayed; or
- (b) 40 miles per hour or 50 miles per hour whilst such traffic signs in relation to those carriageways are not displayed.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 8 no person shall, during the first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the westbound carriageway, the eastbound carriageway or a slip road.

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

**6. (1)** During such times, as pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of the westbound carriageway but is not prohibited in the eastbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (a) enter or proceed in the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway in any direction other than westwards,
- (b) overtake a moving vehicle in the eastbound carriageway, or
- (c) make a u-turn in the eastbound carriageway.

**(2)** During such times, as pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of the eastbound carriageway but is not prohibited in the westbound carriageway; no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to:

- (a) enter or proceed in the offside lane of the westbound carriageway in any direction other than eastwards,
- (b) overtake a moving vehicle in the westbound carriageway, or
- (c) make a u-turn in the westbound carriageway.

**(3)** When, pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of a length of one carriageway but is not prohibited in the corresponding length of the other carriageway, the provision of this article with respect to that other carriageway shall apply to that length of that carriageway.

**7.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 8 no person shall, during the first works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait in a layby situated adjacent to the A66:

- (i) eastbound carriageway approximately 5950 metres west, approximately 1150 metres west and approximately 770 metres west of Bowes Interchange overbridge;
- (ii) westbound carriageway approximately 1500 metres west and approximately 530 metres west of Bowes Interchange overbridge; or
- (iii) westbound carriageway approximately 840 metres east of Bowes Interchange overbridge; or
- (iv) westbound carriageway approximately 705 metres east of Thorpe Grange Junction.

**8.** Nothing in articles 4 and 6 (1), save paragraph (a), and 7 shall apply to:

- (a) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;
- (b) a vehicle being used for, or in connection with, the said works, or for winter maintenance or traffic officer purposes; or

(c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform;

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to any vehicle being used for a purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article;

**9.** No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011<sup>(a)</sup> when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

4th September 2014

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<sup>(a)</sup> S.I. 2011/935.