

2014 No. 2767

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The A449 (Coven Heath – Four Ashes, Staffordshire)
(Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014**

Made - - - - *22nd September 2014*

Coming into force - - *29th September 2014*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the A449 Trunk Road (“the A449”), is satisfied that traffic on a length of that road, between Coven Heath and Four Ashes in the County of Staffordshire, 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 A449 (Coven Heath - Four Ashes, Staffordshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on Monday 29th September 2014.

2. In this Order –

“the trunk road”

means –

- (a) the southbound carriageway of the A449 from a point 400 metres north of the centreline of the Four Ashes Road/Station Drive junction, to a point 350 metres north of the roundabout junction with the M54 at Junction 2; and
- (b) the northbound carriageway of the A449 from a point 350 metres north of the roundabout junction with the M54 at Junction 2, to the centreline of the Four Ashes Road/Station Drive junction;

“central reservation”

means that part of the trunk road which separates its carriageways for the safety and guidance of vehicular traffic using that road;

^(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;
“pedal cycle”	has the meaning given in regulation 4 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002;
“cycle track”	means a way constituting or comprised in a highway, being a way over which the public have the following, but no other, rights of way, that is to say, a right of way on pedal cycles with or without a right of way on foot;
“footway”	means a way comprised in a highway which also comprises a carriageway, being a way over which the public have a right of way on foot only;
“the footway/cycle track”	means the footway/cycle track adjacent to the trunk road;
“the works period”	means the period starting at 09:00 hours on Wednesday 1st October 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 9 and 10, no person shall, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the trunk road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 9 and 10, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the gap in the central reservation of the A449 at its junction with Light Ash Lane.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 9 and 10, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the laybys adjacent to A449 –

- a) northbound carriageway, 226 metres north of its junction with Shaw Hall Lane;
- b) northbound carriageway, 274 metres north of the roundabout junction with the M54 at Junction 2; and
- c) southbound carriageway, 226 metres south of its junction with Brinsford Lane.

6. Subject as mentioned in articles 9 and 10, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any person using a pedal cycle to enter or proceed in the footway/cycle track.

7. Subject as mentioned in articles 9 and 10, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any pedestrian to enter or proceed in the footway/cycle track.

8. Subject as mentioned in articles 9 and 10, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or leave the trunk road at its junction with –
(a) Shaw Hall Lane;
(b) Brindley Lane; or
(c) Light Ash Lane.

9. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

10. The provisions of –

- (a) articles 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 shall not apply to any vehicle –
 - (i) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes; or
 - (ii) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable;
- (b) article 3 shall not apply to any vehicle being used for special forces purposes;
- (c) articles 4 and 8 shall not apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works; and
- (d) article 7 shall not apply to any person –
 - (i) engaged in police, fire brigade or ambulance activity; or
 - (ii) engaged in activity connected with the works.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

22nd September 2014

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