STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2010 No. 2619

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M4 Motorway (Junctions 19-17) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010

Made		-	-	<i>19 October 2010</i>
Coming in	to forc	e -	-	23 October 2010

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M4 Motorway ("the M4"), is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road between Junctions 19 and 17 in South Gloucestershire and Wiltshire should be restricted 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M4 Motorway (Junctions 19-17) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010 and shall come into force on 23 October 2010.

2. In this Order –

"the M4" means (i) the eastbound carriageway of the M4 between Junctions 19 and 18 from a point at the centre of Westerleigh Road Overbridge to the tip of the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 18; and (ii) the eastbound carriageway of the M4 between Junctions 18 and 17 from a point at the centre of the B4039 Overbridge to a point at the centre of the unclassified overbridge to Grittleton;

"the hard shoulder" means the hard shoulder within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations which is adjacent to the M4;

"the tip of the nosing" means the last point where an exit slip road leaves the carriageway of a motorway;

"the Regulations" means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

"the works" mean the installation of traffic counter loops;

"a works period" means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Monday 25 October 2010 or any subsequent night 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 article 4, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the M4 and the hard shoulder.

 ⁽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. 1982 / 1163, amended by S.I. 1983 / 374, 1984 / 1479 and 1992 /1364;

4. The provisions of article 3 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs and shall not apply to:

(a) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;

(b) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable.

5. During the works period, regulation 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) regulation 9 of the Regulations are hereby suspended, in respect of the hard shoulder, at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

19 October 2010

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