

2011 No. 1315

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M2 Motorway (Junctions 4 - 6) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011

Made - - - - - *23rd May 2011*
Coming into force - - - - - *11th June 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M2 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted on a length of that motorway and prohibited on some of those connecting roads 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 M2 Motorway (Junctions 4 - 6) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 11th June 2011.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M2 Motorway in the County of Kent;

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

“the length of coastbound carriageway” means the coastbound carriageway of the motorway between Forge Lane overbridge west of Junction 4 (A278) and Selling Road overbridge east of Junction 6 (A251);

“a hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the length of coastbound carriageway;

“a slip road” means –

- (i) the road leading from the coastbound carriageway of the motorway to the A249 at Junction 5,
- (ii) the road leading to the coastbound carriageway of the motorway from the A249 at Junction 5;
- (iii) the road leading from the coastbound carriageway of the motorway to the A251 at Junction 6, or
- (iv) the road leading to the coastbound carriageway of the motorway from the A251 at Junction 6;

“works” mean road marking and road stud installation work on the motorway; and

“a works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 2000 hours on Monday 13th June 2011 or on any subsequent day until 10th December 2012.

(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, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 2004/3258.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a slip road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5, 6 and 7 below, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the length of coastbound carriageway or a hard shoulder.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 above shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

6. (1) Nothing in article 3 above shall apply to -

- (a) a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;
- (b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, traffic officer or fire and rescue authority purposes;
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

(2) Nothing in article 4 above shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes.

7. During a works period, the provisions of regulations 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Regulations are hereby suspended, in respect of a 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 for Transport

23rd May 2011

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