2011 No. 2120

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M65 Motorway (Junctions 6-8 Eastbound and Westbound Carriageways and Junction 7 Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011

Made - - - - 25th August 2011

Coming into force - - 11th September 2011

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M65 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway and on two of those slip roads in the District of Hyndburn in the County of Lancashire should be prohibited and 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 M65 Motorway (Junctions 6-8 Eastbound and Westbound Carriageways and Junction 7 Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 11th September 2011.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M65 Motorway between Junctions 6 and 8;

"the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road" means the first point where the slip road joins the carriageway of the motorway;

"the first length of carriageway" means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 280 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 6 to a point 460 metres west of the centreline of Altham Lane overbridge;

"the second length of carriageway" means the westbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 50 metres east of the centreline of the western underbridge at Junction 8 to a point 180 metres west of the centre line of the western underbridge at Junction 7 (Dunkenhalgh Way);

"the third length of carriageway" means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 190 metres west of the western underbridge at Junction 7 (Dunkenhalgh Way) to a point 560 metres west of the centreline of Altham Lane overbridge;

⁽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

"the fourth length of carriageway" means the westbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 560 metres west of the centreline of Altham Lane overbridge to a point 190 metres west of the centreline of the western underbridge at Junction 7 (Dunkenhalgh Way);

"the first slip road" means the entry slip road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 7;

"the second slip road" means the exit slip road leading from the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 7;

"hardshoulder" has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(a);

"the lengths of hardshoulder" means the hardshoulder adjacent to the third and fourth lengths of carriageway;

"the works period" means periods overnight between 1900 hours and 0700 hours during a period starting on Monday 12 September 2011 and ending on Friday 16 December 2011. However, works may start and continue between the same times on subsequent nights or continue overnight until completed, for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work;

"works" means pavement resurfacing and safety barrier renewal works on the motorway;

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the first or second lengths of carriageway or the lengths of hardshoulder at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in article 6 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the third or fourth lengths of carriageway or the first or second slip roads.
- **5.**The provisions of regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982 (a) are suspended in relation to the lengths of hardshoulder defined in article 2 of this Order at such times and to such extent as may be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article, "hardshoulder" has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.
- **6.** The provisions of articles 3 and 4 of this Order 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 vehicle being used for emergency purposes by the police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance services or anything done at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

And nothing in article 4 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by traffic officers.

7. 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(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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