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ROAD TRAFFIC

The M4 Motorway (Junctions 12 - 13) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011

Made	-	-	-	-	<i>3rd October 2011</i>
Coming in	to fo	rce	-	-	22nd October 2011

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M4 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths of that motorway and on one 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 M4 Motorway (Junctions 12 - 13) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 22nd October 2011.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M4 Motorway in the District of West Berkshire;

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

"a length of carriageway" means -

- (i) the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 120 metres west of the centre of the B4494 underbridge west of Junction 13 (A34) to the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 13 (A34),
- (ii) the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1505 metres west of the centre of A340 overbridge northwest of Junction 12 (A4) to a point 1275 metres northwest of the tip of the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 12 (A4),
- (iii) the westbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 815 metres east of the centre of the A340 overbridge northwest of Junction 12 (A4) to a point 685 metres east of the centre of Dark Lane underbridge west of Junction 12 (A4), or
- (iv) the westbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1148 metres east of the centre of Ashampstead Road underbridge west of Junction 12 (A4) to a point 1000 metres east of the centre of Scratchface Lane overbridge east of Junction 13 (A34);

"the tip of the nosing" means the first point where the eastbound exit slip road leaves the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 12 (A4);

⁽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.

 $⁽b) \quad S.I. \ 1982/1163; \ amended \ by \ S.I. \ 1983/374, \ 1984/1479, \ 1992/1364, \ 1995/158, \ 2004/3258.$

"the length of eastbound carriageway" means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway between the exit slip road and the entry slip road at Junction 13 (A34);

"the slip road" means the road leading from the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 13 (A34);

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

"works" mean the installation of replacement traffic detection equipment on the motorway; and

"a works period" means a period of 7 hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 24th October 2011 or on any subsequent day until 21st April 2013.

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 length of carriageway or the length of eastbound carriageway.

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 a length of carriageway, a hard shoulder or the slip road.

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 and to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulation $2011(\mathbf{a})$ when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

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

3rd October 2011

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⁽a) S.I. 2011/935.