2012 No. 133

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M20 Motorway (Northwest of Junction 9) (Temporary 50 Miles Per Hour Speed Restriction) Order 2012

Made - - - - 16th January 2012

Coming into force - - 4th February 2012

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M20 Motorway, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted on a length of that motorway 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 M20 Motorway (Northwest of Junction 9) (Temporary 50 Miles Per Hour Speed Restriction) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 4th February 2012.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M20 Motorway northwest of Ashford in the County of Kent;

"the length of coastbound carriageway" means the coastbound carriageway of the motorway between Hurstford Lane overbridge and Station Road underbridge northwest of Junction 9 (A20/A251);

"works" mean the installation of a new police observation platform on the motorway; and

- "a works period" means a period of 10 hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 6th February 2012 or on any subsequent day until 3rd August 2013.
- **3.** Subject as mentioned in article 4 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.
- **4.** The provisions of article 3 above shall apply only at 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 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) Regulations 2011(**b**) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

⁽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. 2011/935.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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