2012 No. 2070

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M4 Motorway (Junctions 1 - 3) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) (No. 2) Order 2012

 Made
 30th July 2012

 Coming into force
 6th August 2012

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 on lengths of that motorway and on one of those connecting roads because of the likelihood of danger to the public and of serious damage to the road:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(b) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), and section 14(4) and (5A) of the London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games Act 2006 hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M4 Motorway (Junctions 1 - 3) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) (No. 2) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 6th August 2012.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M4 Motorway in the London Boroughs of Hillingdon and Hounslow;

"the length of westbound carriageway" means the westbound carriageway of the motorway between Junction 1 (A4) and Junction 3 (A312);

"the length of eastbound carriageway" means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway between Junction 2 (A4) and Junction 3 (A312);

"the slip road" means the road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 3 (A312);

"operating weight" shall be calculated as provided in section 138 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

"danger and damage" means a weak bridge on the motorway; and

"the danger and damage period" means the period starting on Monday 6th August 2012 and ending on 14th September 2012.

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4 below, no person shall, during the danger and damage period, cause or permit any vehicle which has an operating weight exceeding 7.5 tonnes to enter or proceed in the length of westbound carriageway, the length of eastbound carriageway or the slip road.

⁽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.

- **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) a vehicle being used in connection with works on the M4;
 - (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;
 - (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes;
 - (e) a bus or coach which is authorised by the Olympic Delivery Authority to be issued with a permit with the Vehicle Access and Parking Permit (VAPP) codes TA, TM, TF, TS, MDS and AP and which is displaying that permit;
 - (f) Official Olympic vehicle which is authorised by the Olympic Delivery Authority, issued with a Vehicle Access and Parking Permit (VAPP) with the following vehicle registrations –

FD12 LKO,

FD12 LKP,

FN12 ZJU,

FN12 ZJY,

FP12 NNR.

FP12 XTT, or

FP12 XTU;

- (g) a vehicle being used for the purpose of incident management; or
- (h) any vehicle 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.
- **5.** The provisions of 4(e) notice shall not apply to the following registrations –

WDZ 595 or

WDZ 727

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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in the Highways Agency

30th July 2012