

**2012 No. 2241**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M20 Motorway (Junctions 5 - 7) (Temporary Restriction  
and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made* - - - - 28th August 2012

*Coming into force* - - 15th September 2012

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M20 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths of that motorway and 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M20 Motorway (Junctions 5 - 7) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 15th September 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M20 Motorway in the County of Kent;

“the length of motorway” means both carriageways of the motorway between Junction 5 (A20) at marker post 54/0 and Boxley Road overbridge (at marker post 58/4) northwest of Junction 7 (A249 – Sittingbourne Road);

“the Londonbound distributor road” means the Londonbound distributor road of the motorway from its junction with the Londonbound carriageway of the motorway east of Junction 6 (A229) at Sandling to its junction with the Londonbound carriageway of the motorway east of Junction 5 (A20);

“the coastbound distributor road” means the coastbound distributor road of the motorway from Junction 5 (A20) to the slip road leading from Crabtree roundabout to the coastbound distributor road of the motorway at Junction 6 (A229);

“a length of carriageway” means –

- (i) the Londonbound carriageway of the motorway from its junction with the Londonbound distributor road of the motorway east of Junction 6 (A229) at Sandling to its junction with the Londonbound distributor road of the motorway east of Junction 5 (A20), or
- (ii) the coastbound carriageway of the motorway from its junction with the coastbound distributor road of the motorway east of Junction 5 (A20) to its

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(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.

junction with the coastbound distributor road of the motorway east of Junction 6 (A229) at Sandling;

“a slip road” means –

- (i) the slip road leading from The Running Horse roundabout to the Londonbound distributor road of the motorway at Junction 6 (A229),
- (ii) the link road leading from the coastbound carriageway of the motorway to the coastbound distributor road of the motorway at Junction 5 (A20),
- (iii) the slip road leading from the coastbound carriageway of the motorway to the A20 at Junction 5, or
- (iv) the slip road leading from the A20 to the coastbound distributor road of the motorway at Junction 5;

“works” mean resurfacing and bridge joint replacement work on the motorway; and

“a works period” means a period of 8 hours starting at 2100 hours on Monday 17th September 2012 or on any subsequent day until 14th March 2014.

**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 the Londonbound distributor road, the coastbound distributor road, a length of carriageway, a slip/link road.

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

**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, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer 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 Exemption (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

28th August 2012

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.