2012 No. 2310

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M4 Motorway (Junction 5 – West of Junction 14, Carriageways) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - - 3rd September 2012

Coming into force - - 22nd September 2012

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M4 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 M4 Motorway (Junction 5 – West of Junction 14, Carriageways) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 22nd September 2012 and shall apply for a period of twelve months.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M4 Motorway in the Borough of Slough, the County of Buckinghamshire, the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, the District of Wokingham, the Borough of Reading and the District of West Berkshire;

"the Regulations" means regulation 16(2) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(**b**);

"the length of motorway" means both carriageways of the motorway between points 320 metres west of Junction 5 western underbridge (A4 – London Road) and 2000 metres west of the tip of the nosing of the Membury Service Area eastbound 'off' slip road west of Junction 14 (A338 – Ermin Street);

"the tip of the nosing" means the first point where the eastbound exit slip road leaves the eastbound carriageway of the motorway to Membury Service Area west of Junction 14;

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

"works" mean carriageway repairs and all associated work on the motorway; and

"a works period" means a period of –

- (i) 7½ hours starting at 2200 hours on Thursday 27th September 2012 or on any subsequent day other than a Friday, Saturday or Sunday,
- (ii) 6½ hours starting at 2300 hours on Friday 28th September 2012 or on any subsequent Friday or Sunday, or

⁽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. 1982/1163; amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 1996/3053, 2004/3168, 2004/3258 and 2006/594.

(iii) 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Saturday 29th September 2012 or on any subsequent Saturday,

until 21st September 2013.

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 4 and 5 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 or a hard shoulder.
- **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(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.
- **5.** 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

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3rd September 2012