

2012 No. 2527

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M25 Motorway (Junctions 25 – 26, Holmesdale Tunnel)
(Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012**

Made - - - - *1st October 2012*
Coming into force - - *20th October 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M25 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 M25 Motorway (Junctions 25 – 26, Holmesdale Tunnel) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 20th October 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M25 Motorway in the London Borough of Enfield;

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

“the first length of carriageway” means the clockwise carriageway of the motorway between the east portal of the Holmesdale Tunnel and a point 1000 metres east of that portal;

“the second length of carriageway” means the anti-clockwise carriageway of the motorway between a point 1200 metres east of the east portal of the Holmesdale Tunnel and that portal;

“a hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the first length of carriageway or the second length of carriageway;

“works” mean expansion joint replacement and all associated work on the motorway; and

“a works period” means a period of 7½ hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 22nd October 2012 or on any subsequent day until 19th April 2014.

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 first length of carriageway, the second length of carriageway 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

(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.

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

1st October 2012

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.