

2012 No. 280

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M27 Motorway (Junctions 1 – 12, Carriageways)
(Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012**

Made - - - - *30th January 2012*

Coming into force - - *21st February 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M27 Motorway, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted on lengths 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M27 Motorway (Junctions 1 - 12, Carriageways) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 21st February 2012 and shall apply for a period of twelve months.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M27 Motorway in the County of Hampshire, the City of Southampton and the City of Portsmouth;

“the Regulations” means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

“the length of motorway” means both carriageways of the motorway between Junction 1 (A31) at Cadnam Interchange and Junction 12 (A3/A27/A397) at Hilsea Interchange;

“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 essential 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 Tuesday 21st February 2012 or on any subsequent day other than a Friday, Saturday or Sunday,
- (ii) 6½ hours starting at 2300 hours on Friday 24th February 2012 or on any subsequent Friday or Sunday, or
- (iii) 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Saturday 25th February 2012 or on any subsequent Saturday,

until 20th February 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.

(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, 2004/3258.

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

30th January 2012

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.