2012 No. 731

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M4 Motorway (Junctions 1 - 3) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

 Made
 5th March 2012

 Coming into force
 1st April 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 prohibited on a length 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 M4 Motorway (Junctions 1 - 3) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 1st April 2012 and shall apply for a period of twelve months.

2. In this Order:

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

"the length of eastbound carriageway" means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from its junction with the A312 (The Parkway) at Junction 3 to its junction with the A4 (Great West Road) at Junction 1;

"the length of westbound carriageway" means the westbound carriageway of the motorway from its junction with the A4 (Great West Road) at Junction 1 to its junction with the A312 (The Parkway) at Junction 3;

"a slip road" means –

- (i) the road leading from the A312 (The Parkway) to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 3,
- (ii) the road leading from the A4 (Great West Road) to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 2, or
- (iii) the road leading from the A4 (Great West Road) to the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 2;

"works" mean essential maintenance work on the motorway; and

"a works period" means a period of 9 hours starting at 2100 hours on Monday 2nd April 2012 or on any subsequent day other than a Friday, Saturday or Sunday until Thursday 28th March 2013.

⁽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.

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in article 4 below, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the length of eastbound carriageway, the length of westbound carriageway or a slip road.
- **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 the said works;
 - (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; or
 - (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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A Service Delivery Team Leader
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