2013 No. 1430

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M48 Motorway (Severn Bridge) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013

Made - - - - 5th June 2013

Coming into force - - 13th June 2013

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M48 Motorway ("the M48") and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and some of those connecting roads in South Gloucestershire, the County of Gloucestershire and the County of Monmouthshire should be prohibited 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 M48 Motorway (Severn Bridge) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 13th June 2013.

2. In this Order –

"the M48" means (i) the westbound carriageway of the M48 over the Severn Bridge from the tip of the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 1 to the tip of the nosing of the westbound entry slip road at Junction 2; and (ii) the eastbound carriageway of the M48 over the Severn Bridge from the tip of the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 2 to the tip of the nosing of the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 1;

"the slip roads" mean (i) the eastbound entry slip road at M48 Junction 2; and (ii) the westbound entry slip road at M48 Junction 1;

"the tip of the nosing" means the first point where an entry slip road joins the carriageway of a motorway or the last point where an exit slip road leaves the carriageway of a motorway;

"the works" mean surfacing repairs, movement joint maintenance and rocker arm replacement;

"a first works period" means a period of 36 hours starting at 06.00 hours on Saturday 15th June 2013 or on any subsequent Saturday and ending when the said works have been completed;

"a second works period" means a period of 11 hours starting at 19.00 hours on Wednesday 19th June 2013 or on any subsequent Wednesday and ending when the said works have been completed;

"a third works period" means a period of 57 hours starting at 21.00 hours on Friday 21st June 2013 or on any subsequent Friday and ending when the said works have been completed;

⁽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.

and a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to the article in this Order which bears that number.

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in article 4, no person shall, during a first works period, a second works period or a third works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the M48 and the slip roads.
- **4.** The provisions of article 3 shall apply only during 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 for police, traffic officer, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;
 - (b) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform;
 - (c) a vehicle being used in connection with the said works.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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in the Highways Agency

5th June 2013