STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 2956

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M6 Motorway (Junction 44-45 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Junction 45 Northbound Exit Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic)
Order 2013

Made - - - 14th November 2013

Coming into force - - 17th November 2013

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway and on one of those slip roads in the District of Carlisle in the County of Cumbria should be prohibited and restricted 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 M6 Motorway (Junction 44-45 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Junction 45 Northbound Exit Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 17th November 2013.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M6 Motorway between Junctions 44 and 45;

"the first length of carriageway" means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 400 metres south of the centrepoint of the Mossband New Railway Bridge to a point 400 metres south of the centrepoint of the Gretna Railway Bridge;

"the second length of carriageway" means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1 kilometre north of the centrepoint of the Gretna Railway Bridge to a point 530 metres south of the centrepoint of the A6071 overbridge;

"the third length of carriageway" means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 400 metres north of the centrepoint of Guards Mill Bridge to a point 100 metres south of the centrepoint of Guards Mill Bridge;

"the slip road" means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 45;

⁽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

"hardshoulder" has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(a);

"the length of hardshoulder" means the hardshoulder adjacent to the third length of carriageway;

"overall width" has the meaning given in regulation 3 (2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986 (b);

"the works period" means a period starting at 0001 hours on Monday 18 November 2013 and ending at 2359 hours on Sunday 24 November 2013. However, work may start and continue beyond these dates for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work;

"works" means resurfacing and associated works on the motorway;

- **3.** The provisions of regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982 (a) are suspended in relation to the length of hardshoulder defined in article 2 of this Order at such times and to such extent as may be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article, "hardshoulder" has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the first and second lengths of carriageway or the length of hardshoulder at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.
- **5.** Subject as mentioned in article 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle with an overall width exceeding 3.65 metres (11 feet 9 inches) to enter or proceed in any lane of the first and second lengths of carriageway.
- **6.** Subject as mentioned in article 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the slip road.
- **7.** The provisions of articles 4, 5 and 6 of this Order 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 vehicle being used for emergency purposes by the police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance services or anything done at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

And nothing in articles 5 and 6 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by traffic officers.

8. No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(c) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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14th November 2013

⁽a) S.I. 1982/1163 amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364.

⁽b) S.I. 1986/1078 to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

⁽c) S.I. 2011/935.