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ROAD TRAFFIC

The M53 Motorway (Junctions 11-12 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways, Slip and Link Roads) and the M56 Motorway (Junction 15 Westbound Link to M53) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014

Made	-	-	-	-	12th February 2014
Coming ir	ıto fo	rce	-	-	18th February 2014

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M53 and M56 Motorways and their slip and link roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of those motorways and on two of those slip roads and two of those link roads in Cheshire West and Chester 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 M53 Motorway (Junctions 11-12 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways, Slip and Link Roads) and the M56 Motorway (Junction 15 Westbound Link to M53)(Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 18th February 2014.

2. In this Order:

"the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road" means the last point at which the exit slip road leaves the carriageway of the motorway;

"the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road" means the first point at which the entry slip road joins the carriageway of the motorway;

"the first length of carriageway" means the southbound carriageway of the M53 Motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 11 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip Road at Junction 12;

"the second length of carriageway" means the northbound carriageway of the M53 Motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 12 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 11;

"the first slip road" means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the M53 Motorway at Junction 12;

"the second slip road" means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the M53 Motorway at Junction 12;

⁽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

"the first link road" means the link road leading from westbound carriageway of the M56 Motorway at Junction 15 to the southbound carriageway of the M53 Motorway at Junction 11 from the first point where it diverges from the main carriageway of the M56 Motorway to the last point where it merges with the main carriageway of the M53 Motorway;

"the second link road" means the link road leading from the northbound carriageway of the M53 Motorway at Junction 11 to the eastbound carriageway of the M56 Motorway at Junction 15 from the last point where it diverges from the main carriageway of the M53 Motorway to the last point where it merges with the main carriageway of the M56 Motorway;

"the works period" means periods over Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights between 2200 hours and 0500 hours during a period starting on Wednesday 19 February 2014 and ending on Friday 28 February 2014. However, works may start between the same hours on subsequent nights or continue until completed, for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the works;

"works" means pavement, surfacing, sign and routine maintenance works on the M53 and M56 Motorways.

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in article 4 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the first and second lengths of carriageway, the first and second slip roads or the first and second slip roads.
- **4.** The provisions of article 3 of this Order 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 any vehicle being used for emergency purposes by the police, fire and rescue or ambulance services, vehicles being used in connection with the works or to vehicles being used for winter maintenance purposes, or by traffic officers, or to any vehicle proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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