

2014 No. 3023

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M20 Motorway (Junctions 5 - 7) (Temporary Restriction
and Prohibition of Traffic) (No 2) Order 2014**

Made - - - - *27th October 2014*

Coming into force - - *15th November 2014*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M20 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and 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 M20 Motorway (Junctions 5 - 7) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) (No 2) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 15th November 2014.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M20 Motorway in the County of Kent;

“the Regulations” means the regulation 16(2) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

“the first length of carriageway” means both carriageways of the motorway from the western overbridge at Junction 5 (A20) to the western overbridge at Junction 7 (A249);

“the second length of carriageway” means both carriageways of the motorway from the western overbridge at Junction 5 (A20) to the overbridge at Junction 6 (A229);

“a length of distributor road” means the Londonbound distributor road of the motorway between a point 635 metres west of Boxley Road overbridge and a point 225 metres west of western overbridge at Junction 5 (A20);

“a slip road” means –

- (i) the road leading from the Londonbound distributor road to Cobtree roundabout at Junction 6 (A229),
- (ii) the road leading to the Londonbound distributor road from Cobtree roundabout at Junction 6 (A229), or
- (iii) the road leading from the Londonbound distributor road to Junction 5 (A20);

“a hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the second length of carriageway;

(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, 1996/3053, 2004/3168, 2004/3258 and 2006/594.

“overall width” has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulation 1986(a);

“abnormal load” means a vehicle having an overall width exceeding 9 feet 6 inches;

“specified signs” means –

- (i) signs of the type, colour and size shown in diagram 7103 in part 11 of Schedule 12 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(b) which comply with the provisions of regulation 56 of those Regulations, or
- (ii) traffic signs, consisting of temporary vertical safety barriers of a character authorised by the Secretary of State under section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

“works” mean drainage works, drainage cleansing, installation of new drainage system and associated work on the motorway;

“a first works period” means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Monday 17th November 2014 or on any subsequent day until 16th May 2016;

“a second works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 2000 hours on Monday 17th November 2014 or on any subsequent day until 16th May 2016;

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6, no person shall, during a second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the length of distributor road or a slip road;

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7, no person shall, during a first works period drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of carriageway and hard shoulder;

5. The provisions of articles 3, 4 and 7 shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

6. (1) Nothing in articles 3 shall 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.

(2) Nothing in article 4 shall 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(c) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

7. During a first works period, the undermentioned provisions of the Regulations are hereby suspended regulations 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9, 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

27th October 2014

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(a) S.I. 1986/1078; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.
(b) S.I. 2002/3113.
(c) S.I. 2011/935.