## 2014 No. 3028

## **ROAD TRAFFIC**

The M6 Motorway (Junctions 25-28 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2014

Made	-	-	-	-	28th October2014
Coming i	nto fo	rce	-	-	16th November 2014

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 two of those slip roads in the Borough of Wigan in Greater Manchester and the District of South Ribble in the County of Lancashire 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (a) and regulation 16(2) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b), hereby makes the following Order:-

**1.** This Order may be cited as the M6 Motorway (Junctions 25-28 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on the 16th November 2014.

2. In this Order;

"the motorway" means the M6 Motorway between Junctions 25 and 28;

"the first length of carriageway" means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 100 metres north of the centreline of Low Bank Road overbridge to a point 540 metres north of the centreline of Pemberton Road overbridge;

"the second length of carriageway" means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 100 metres north of the centreline of Drummers Lane overbridge to a point 340 metres north of the centreline of Pemberton Road overbridge;

"the first slip road" means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 27;

"the second slip road" means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 26;

<sup>(</sup>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.

<sup>(</sup>b) S.I. 1982/1163, as amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 1996/3053, 2004/3168, 2004/3258 and 2006/594.

"works" means resurfacing, road markings, road studs, loop cuttings and installation and general maintenance works;

"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 second length of carriageway;

"the works period" means periods overnight between 2200 hours and 0500 hours (continuing to 0700 hours on Saturday and Sunday mornings) during a period starting on Monday 17th November 2014 and ending on Friday 5th December 2014. However, works may start and continue between the same times on subsequent nights or continue overnight until completed, for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work.

**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 6 and 7 of this Order no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the first length of carriageway or the length of hardshoulder.

**5.** Subject as mentioned in article 6 of this Order no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of carriageway or the first or second slip roads.

**6.** The provisions of articles 4 and 5 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 of, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

And nothing in article 5 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or to vehicles being used for winter maintenance purposes or by traffic officers.

7. 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(b) 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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<sup>(</sup>a) 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.
(b) S.I. 2011/935.

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