## 2014 No. 621

## **ROAD TRAFFIC**

## The M6 Motorway (Junctions 14 to 15, Staffordshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014

Made	-	-	-	-	7th February 2014
Coming i	nto fe	orce	-	-	14th February 2014

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 Motorway ("the M6") and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that motorway, in the County of Staffordshire, should be restricted and 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) 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 14 to 15, Staffordshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on Friday 14th February 2014.

**2.** In this Order:

"the first length of motorway" means –

- a) the northbound carriageway of the M6 from the centreline of the Beechcliff Lane underbridge, to a point 275 metres north of the centreline of the Hanchurch Lane overbridge; and
- b) the southbound carriageway of the M6 from a point 25 metres north of the centreline of the A53 Whitmore Road overbridge, to the centreline of the Beechcliff Lane underbridge;

<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.

"the second length of motorway"	<ul> <li>means –</li> <li>a) the northbound carriageway of the M6 from its junction with the exit slip road at Junction 14, to its junction with the entry slip road at Junction 15; and</li> <li>b) the southbound carriageway of the M6 from its junction with the exit slip road at Junction 15, to its junction with the entry slip road at Junction 14;</li> </ul>
"the third length of motorway"	means the northbound and southbound carriageways of the M6 between a point 700 metres south of the centreline of the A519 underbridge and the centreline of the Hanchurch Lane overbridge;
"the Regulations"	means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982;
"a hard shoulder"	means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation $3(1)$ (e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the third length of motorway;
"the works period"	means the period starting at 0:01 hours on Tuesday 18th February 2014 and ending when the said works have been completed;

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 articles 5 and 6, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of motorway.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed on the second length of motorway or the third length of motorway.

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

6. The provisions of –

- (a) article 3 shall not apply to any vehicle being used for special forces purposes;
- (b) articles 3 and 4 shall not apply to any vehicle
  - (i) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes; or
  - (ii) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable; and
- (c) article 4 shall not apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said work, or by, or with the permission of, a traffic officer in uniform.

**7.** During the works period, regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Regulations, in respect of a hard shoulder, are hereby suspended at such times and to such extent as may from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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