

2011 No. 1288

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M50 Motorway (M5 Junction 8 to M50 Junction 4)
(Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>17th May 2011</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>24th May 2011</i>

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M50 Motorway (“the M50”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that Motorway and on some of those connecting roads between Junctions 1 and 3, in the Counties of Gloucestershire and Worcestershire and the District of the County of Herefordshire, 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M50 Motorway (M5 Junction 8 to M50 Junction 4) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 24th May 2011.

2. In this Order –

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| "the first length of motorway" | means the M50 from a point 49 metres west of the centreline of the B4211 underbridge to a point 200 metres west of the centreline of Crowfield Farm overbridge; |
| "the second length of motorway" | means the M50 from a point 60 metres west of the centreline of Little Downend Farm underbridge to the centreline of Quabbs Farm underbridge; |
| "the third length of motorway" | means the M50 from its roundabout junction with the M5 at Junction 8 to its roundabout junction with the A449 and B4221 at M50 Junction 4; |
| "the fourth length of motorway" | means the M50 from a point 405 metres east of the centreline of Robertsend Farm underbridge to a point 105 metres west of the centreline of Callow Farm overbridge; |
| "a slip road" | means any slip roads leading to and from the M50 at Junctions 1, 2 and 3; |

(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

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

"the works period" means the period starting at 20:00 hours on Tuesday 31st May 2011 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 8 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the first length of motorway.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 8 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the third length of motorway or a slip road.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 8 and 9 no person shall, during the work period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in –

- (a) the eastbound carriageway of the second length of motorway; or
- (b) the offside lane of the westbound carriageway of the second length of motorway in any direction other than eastwards.

6. Subject as mentioned in articles 8 and 9 no person shall, during the work period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in –

- (a) the westbound carriageway of the second length of motorway; or
- (b) the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway of the second length of motorway in any direction other than westwards.

7. Subject as mentioned in articles 8 and 9, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 3.2 metres to enter or proceed in the fourth length of motorway.

8. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

9. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5 (a), 6 (a) and 7 shall not apply to any vehicle –

- (a) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes; or
- (b) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable;

and nothing in articles 4, 5(a), 6(a) and 7 shall apply to any vehicle being used for or in connection with the said works or by a traffic officer in uniform.

10. During the works period, the under mentioned provisions of the Regulations are hereby suspended -

- (a) regulation 6(3), in respect of a vehicle being driven eastwards in the westbound carriageway by virtue of article 5 (b); and
- (b) regulation 6(3) in respect of a vehicle being driven westwards in the eastbound carriageway by virtue of article 6 (b).

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

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

17th May 2011

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