2011 No. 2624

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M6 Motorway (Junctions 29-28 Southbound Carriageway and Junction 28 Southbound Exit Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011

Made - - - - 19th October 2011

Coming into force - - 27th October 2011

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 one of those slip roads in the District of Chorley 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M6 Motorway (Junctions 29-28 Southbound Carriageway and Junction 28 Southbound Exit Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 27th October 2011.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M6 Motorway between Junctions 29 and 28;

"the first length of carriageway" means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 56 metres north of the centreline of Ryden Avenue footbridge to a point 675 metres north of the centreline of Lydiate Head overbridge;

"the second length of carriageway" means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 306 metres north of the centreline of Ryden Avenue footbridge to a point 22 metres north of the centreline of Holme House underpass;

"the slip road" means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 28;

"hardshoulder" has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

"the length of hardshoulder" means the hardshoulder 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.

"the works period" means the following periods:

- i. starting at 2100 hours on Friday 28 October 2011 and ending at 0500 hours on Monday 31 October 2011:
- ii. starting at 2100 hours on Friday 4 November 2011 and ending at 0500 hours on Monday 7 November 2011;
- iii. starting at 2100 hours on Friday 11 November 2011 and ending at 0500 hours on Monday 14 November 2011; and
- iv. starting at 2100 hours on Friday 18 November 2011 and ending at 0500 hours on Monday 21 November 2011.

However, works may start and continue beyond these dates for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work.

"works" means bridge repair works on the motorway;

- **3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the first length of carriageway or the length of hardshoulder at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in article 6 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the slip road.
- **5.** 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.
- **6.** The provisions of articles 3 and 4 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, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

And nothing in article 4 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works 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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(a) S.I. 1982/1163 amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364.

(b) S.I. 2011/935.