

2011 No. 327

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M55 Motorway (Junctions 4-3, Eastbound Carriageway and Junction 4 Eastbound Entry Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011

Made - - - - *2nd February 2011*

Coming into force - - *17th February 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M55 Motorway and slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway and on one of those slip roads in the Borough of Fylde 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 M55 Motorway (Junctions 4-3, Eastbound Carriageway and Junction 4 Eastbound Entry Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 17th February 2011.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M55 Motorway between Junctions 4 and 3;

“the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road” means the first point where the slip road joins the carriageway of the motorway;

“the first length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from the tip of the nosing of the entry slip at Junction 4 to a point 2 kilometres east of the centreline of Marton Circle east overbridge;

“the second length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from the eastern parapet of Marton Circle east overbridge to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 4;

“the third length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1.1 kilometres east of the centreline of Marton Circle east overbridge to a point 1.8 kilometres east of the overbridge;

(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

“the slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 4;

“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 third length of carriageway;

“the first works period” means the following periods:

- i. starting at 2000 hours on Friday 18 February 2011 and ending at 0600 hours on Monday 21 February 2011; and
- ii. starting at 2000 hours on Friday 25 February 2011 and ending at 0600 hours on Monday 28 February 2011.

Work may start and continue beyond these dates for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work;

“the second works period” means a period starting at 2000 hours on Friday 25 February 2011 and ending at 0600 hours on Monday 28 February 2011. Work may start and continue beyond these dates for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work.

“works” means resurfacing and associated works on the motorway;

3. Subject as mentioned in article 8 of this Order, during the first works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the first length of carriageway or the slip road at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 8 of this Order, during the first works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of carriageway.

5. Subject as mentioned in article 8 of this Order, during the second works period no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the third length of carriageway.

6. Subject as mentioned in article 8 of this Order, during the second works period no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the length of hardshoulder at a speed exceeding 50 miles.

7. 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.

8. The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 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 articles 4 and 5 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by traffic officers.

(a) S.I. 1982/1163 amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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