## 2012 No. 3136

# HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND

## The Severn Bridges Tolls Order 2012

Made		-	-	18th December 2012
Coming into force	е	-	-	1st January 2013

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 9(1), 9(2)(b), 9(3)(b), 9(4) and 9(6) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992(a) hereby makes the following Order.

### Citation and commencement

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Severn Bridges Tolls Order 2012 and shall come into force on 1st January 2013.

### Level of tolls

**2.** The tolls leviable in respect of vehicles within the categories referred to in section 8(1) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992 using either of the bridges shall be as follows:-

Category 1 vehicles	£6.20
Category 2 vehicles	£12.40
Category 3 vehicles	£18.60

### Revocation

3. The Severn Bridges Tolls Order 2011(b) is hereby revoked.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Stephen Hammond Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for Transport

18th December 2012

<sup>(</sup>a) 1992 c.3.

<sup>(</sup>b) S.I. 2011/3060.

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

#### (This note is not part of the Order)

Section 9(2)(b) of the Severn Bridges Act 1992 ("the Act") provides for the tolls for the use of the bridges to be fixed by annual orders made in December of each year. This Order fixes the tolls payable for use of the two bridges, commonly known as the Severn Bridge and the Second Severn Crossing, during the year 2013.

The tolls will be payable only for traffic travelling from east to west and for vehicles (other than those exempted by section 8(5) of the Act) within the categories specified in section 8(1) of the Act. These are (1) motor cars and motor caravans, (2) small goods vehicles and small buses and (3) other goods vehicles and buses.

In accordance with section 9 of this Act, the toll for each category has been fixed by adjusting the amounts shown in the table in section 9(3) by the percentage increase in the Retail Prices Index between March 1989 and September 2012 and applying the rounding provisions of section 9(6).

The tolls levied in 2012 were as follows:-

Category 1 vehicles	£6.00
Category 2 vehicles	£12.10
Category 3 vehicles	£18.10

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