

2013 No. 752

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M6 Motorway (Junction 44 Southbound Carriageway)
(Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013**

Made - - - - 28th February 2013

Coming into force - - 6th March 2013

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 Motorway is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway in the District of Lancaster in the County of Lancashire should be 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 (44 Southbound Carriageway) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 6th March 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M6 Motorway Junction 44;

“the length of carriageway” means a section of the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1500 metres north the first point where the southbound entry slip joins the main carriageway at Junction 44 to a point 2500 metres south of that same point.

“the works period” means a period starting at 2000 hours on Thursday 7 March 2013 and ending at 2359 hours on Wednesday 27 March 2013. Work may start and continue beyond these dates for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work;

“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 length of carriageway

“works” means hard shoulder resurfacing works on the motorway;

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 of this Order, during the first works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the length of carriageway at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

(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.

5. The provisions of regulation 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 this article “hardshoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

6. The provisions of articles 3 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 of, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

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(a)S.I. 1982/1163 amended by S.I.1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364.
(b) S.I. 2011/935