

2011 No. 2403

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M20 Motorway (Junctions 8 - 7) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011

Made - - - - 26th September 2011

Coming into force - - 15th October 2011

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M20 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted on a length of that motorway and on one of those connecting roads 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 M20 Motorway (Junctions 8 - 7) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 15th October 2011.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M20 Motorway in the County of Kent;

“the Regulations” means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

“the length of Londonbound carriageway” means the Londonbound carriageway of the motorway between the centre of Ashford Road underbridge southeast of Junction 8 (A20) and Hockers Lane overbridge east of Junction 7 (A249);

“a hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the length of Londonbound carriageway or the slip road;

“the slip road” means the road leading to the Londonbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 8 (A20);

“works” mean patching and joint/crack repair work on the motorway; and

“a works period” means a period of 9½ hours starting at 1930 hours on Monday 17th October 2011 or on any subsequent day until 14th April 2013.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 4 and 5 below, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the length of Londonbound carriageway, the slip road or a hard shoulder.

4. The provisions of article 3 above shall apply only at 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 police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes and to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(c) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

(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, 1995/158, 2004/3258.

(c) S.I. 2011/935.

5. During a works period, the provisions of regulations 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Regulations are hereby suspended, in respect of a hard shoulder, at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

26th September 2011

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