

**2011 No. 2530**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M20 Motorway (Junctions 5 - 7) (Temporary Restriction of  
Traffic) Order 2011**

*Made*         -     -     -     -                                 *10th October 2011*

*Coming into force*     -     -                                 *29th 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 some 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 5 - 7) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 29th 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);

“a length of carriageway” means both carriageways of the motorway between the eastern overbridge at Junction 5 (A20) and Hockers Lane overbridge east of Junction 7 (A249);

“a length of distributor road” means both distributor roads of the motorway between Junction 5 (A20) and east of Junction 6 (A229);

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

“a slip road” means –

- (i) the road leading to the eastbound distributor road of the motorway at Junction 5 (A20),
- (ii) the road leading to the eastbound distributor road of the motorway at Junction 6 (A229),
- (iii) the road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 7 (A249),
- (iv) the road leading to the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 7 (A249), or
- (v) the road leading to the westbound distributor road of the motorway at Junction 6 (A229);

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(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.

“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 31st October 2011 or on any subsequent day until 28th 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 a length of carriageway, a length of distributor road, a 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(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

**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

10th October 2011

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.