

**2011 No. 3098**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M1 Motorway and the M18 Motorway (Thurcroft Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011**

*Made* - - - - - *22nd December 2011*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *2nd January 2012*

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M18 Motorway, the M1 Motorway and connecting roads, in the District of Rotherham, in the County of South Yorkshire, is satisfied that traffic on those motorways and some of those connecting roads should be restricted and prohibited because carriageway resurfacing and safety barrier repair 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), makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the M1 Motorway and the M18 Motorway (Thurcroft Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 2nd January 2012.

2. In this Order;

“the M1” means the M1 Motorway;

“the M18” means the M18 Motorway;

“the first length of northbound and southbound carriageways” means the northbound and southbound carriageways of the M1 from a point 230 metres south of the centreline of Penny Hill Lane Underbridge to the centreline of Pleasley Road overbridge, a distance of 4300 metres;

“the second length of northbound and southbound carriageways” means the northbound and southbound carriageways of the M1 from a point 230 metres south of the centreline of Penny Hill Lane Underbridge to the centreline of Field Lane overbridge, a distance of 2100 metres;

“a link road” means any of the following link roads at Thurcroft Interchange (the M1 Junction 32):

(i) the link road connecting the M18 southbound carriageway with the M1 northbound carriageway; and

(ii) the link road connecting the M1 southbound carriageway with the M18 northbound carriageway;

“overall width” has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(b);

“the works period” means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Tuesday 3rd January 2012 and ending when the said works have been completed;

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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. 1986/1078, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

and a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to the article in this Order which bears that number.

**3.** Subject as mentioned in article 6 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the first length of northbound and southbound carriageways or a link road.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in article 6 no person shall, during the works period or the second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of northbound and southbound carriageways or a link road.

**5.** Subject as mentioned in article 6 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 6'6" to enter or proceed in the offsidemost lane of the first length of northbound and southbound carriageways.

**6.** The provisions of articles 3, 4 and 5 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs. Nothing in articles 4 and 5 and shall apply to:

- (a) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;
- (b) a vehicle being used for, or in connection with, the said works, or for traffic officer or winter maintenance purposes; or
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police officer or traffic officer in uniform;

and nothing in article 3 shall apply to a vehicle being used for the purpose specified in paragraph (a) of this article.

**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 hard shoulder adjacent to the first length of northbound and southbound carriageways or a link road as described in article 2 at such times and to such extent as may, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article "hard shoulder" has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

**8.** 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

22nd December 2011

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