

**2011 No. 382**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M56 Motorway (Junctions 7-9 Westbound Carriageway and Junction 8 Westbound Entry Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011**

*Made* - - - - *25th January 2011*

*Coming into force* - - *13th February 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M56 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway and on one of those slip roads in Cheshire East should be prohibited and 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<sup>(a)</sup> hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M56 Motorway (Junctions 7-9 Westbound Carriageway and Junction 8 Westbound Entry Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 13th February 2011.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M56 Motorway between Junctions 7 and 9;

“the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road” means the last point where the slip road leaves the carriageway of the motorway;

“the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road” means the first point where the slip road joins the carriageway of the motorway;

“the first length of carriageway” means the westbound carriageway of the motorway from the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 8 to a point 200 metres west of Agden Lane overbridge;

“the second length of carriageway” means the westbound carriageway of the motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 7 to the centreline of Agden Lane overbridge;

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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

“the third length of carriageway” means the westbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 200 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 8 to the centreline of Agden Lane overbridge;

“the slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 8;

“hardshoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(a);

“the length of hardshoulder” means the hardshoulder adjacent to the third length of carriageway;

“the works period” means a period over six nights between 2200 hours and 0500 hours during a period starting on Monday 14 February 2011 and ending on Monday 4 April 2011. However, works may start and continue between the same times on subsequent nights or continue overnight until completed, for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work;

“works” means resurfacing, road marking and loop cutting works on the motorway;

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

4. Subject as mentioned in article 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of carriageway.

5. Subject as mentioned in article 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the slip road.

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

7. The provisions of articles 3, 4 and 5 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, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

And nothing in articles 4 and 5 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by traffic officers.

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