

2011 No. 640

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M56 Motorway (Junctions 9-8 Eastbound Carriageway)
(Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011**

Made - - - - *1st March 2011*

Coming into force - - *20th March 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M56 Motorway, is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway 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(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M56 Motorway (Junctions 9-8 Eastbound Carriageway) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 20th March 2011.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M56 Motorway;

“the first length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 384 metres west of the centreline of Cliff Lane overbridge to a point 611 metres east of the centreline of Agden Lane overbridge;

“the second length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 10 metres west of the centreline of Mag Lane overbridge to a point 511 metres east of the centreline of Agden Lane overbridge;

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

“the works period” means three nights between 2200 hours and 0500 hours during a period starting on Monday 21 March 2011 and ending on Friday 1 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;

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

(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.

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

3. 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.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 6 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.

5. Subject as mentioned in article 6 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.

6. The provisions of articles 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 article 5 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by traffic officers.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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