

**2011 No. 2129**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M6 Motorway (Junction 12), the M54 Motorway (Junctions 2 - 4), the A5 Trunk Road and the A449 Trunk Road (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made - - - - 6th August 2012*

*Coming into force - - 13th August 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 Motorway (“the M6”), the M54 Motorway (“the M54”), the A5 Trunk Road (“the A5”), the A449 Trunk Road (“the A449”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of those motorway and those trunk roads and four of those connecting roads, in the Counties of Staffordshire and Shropshire, should be prohibited because of the likelihood of danger to the public:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14 (1)(b) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (a), and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:-

**1.** This Order may be cited as the M6 Motorway (Junction 12), the M54 Motorway (Junctions 2 - 4), the A5 Trunk Road and the A449 Trunk Road (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 13th August 2012.

**2.** In this Order –

“the M6” means the southbound carriageway of the M6 between points 1200 metres and 800 metres north of Otherton Lane underbridge (north of Junction 12);

“the M54” means –  
(i) the westbound carriageway of the M54 between points 1300 metres and 7400 metres west of Port Lane overbridge (between Junctions 2 and 3); and  
(ii) the eastbound carriageway of the M54 from the centre line of Coppice Green Lane overbridge for a distance of 3700 metres (between Junctions 4 and 3);

“the A5” means the westbound carriageway of the A5 from its roundabout junction with the A449 to its roundabout junction with the A41;

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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 A449”	means the southbound carriageway of the A449 from its roundabout junction with the A5 to its roundabout junction with the M54 Junction 2;
"a slip road”	means the slip road leading from the – (i) northbound carriageway of the M6 at Junction 12; (ii) southbound carriageway of the M6 at Junction 12; (iii) eastbound carriageway of the M54 at Junction 3; (iv) westbound carriageway of the M54 at Junction 3;
“central reservation”	means that part of the trunk road which separates its carriageways for the safety and guidance of vehicular traffic using that road;
“the Regulations”	means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(a);
“a hard shoulder”	means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of Regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the M6 and the M54;

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 4, no person shall, during the period starting at 00:01 hours on Friday 17th August 2011 and ending when the said likelihood of danger has been avoided by means other than this Order, cause or permit any vehicle –

- (a) to enter or proceed in the A5, the A449 or a slip road; or
- (b) to make a “U” turn through any gap in the central reservation of the A449.

**4.** The provisions of article 3 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 any vehicle –

- (a) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes;
- (b) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable, or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (c) being used by a traffic officer in uniform.

**5.** During the works period, regulations 5 and (in so far 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 may from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

6th August 2012

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