

“the second link road” means the link road leading from the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 9 to the M6 southbound and northbound carriageways;

“the first slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 10;

“the second slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 10;

“the third slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 11;

“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 first length of carriageway;

“the works period” means six nights between 2200 hours and 0500 hours (continuing to 0700 hours on Saturday and Sunday mornings) during a period starting on Monday 17 September 2012 and ending on Friday 19 October 2012. 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 and associated works on the M56 Motorway;

3. 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 first length of carriageway, the first and second link roads and the first, second and third slip roads.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the second length of carriageway or the length of hardshoulder at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

5. 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.

6. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 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 3 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by traffic officers.

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

7. 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^(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

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^(a) S.I. 2011/935.