

**2012 No. 575**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M45 Motorway (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

*Made* - - - - - *13th February 2012*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *20th February 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M45 Motorway (“the M45”), the M1 Motorway (“the M1”) and connecting roads is satisfied that traffic on lengths of those motorways and some of those connecting roads in the Counties of Northamptonshire and Warwickshire 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) and of all other powers enabling her in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M45 Motorway (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 20th February 2012.

2. In this Order –

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| “the motorway”    | means the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the M45 between the roundabout and the link roads;                     |
| “the link roads”  | means the link road –<br>i) leading to the M1 from the M45; and<br>ii) leading to the M45 from the M1 at M1 Junction 17; |
| “the roundabout”  | means the circulatory carriageway of the A45 at its roundabout junction with the B4429 and M45.                          |
| “the Regulations” | means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);   |
| “a hard shoulder” | means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of Regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the motorway; |

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

"the works period"

means the period starting at 06:00 hours on Monday 27th February 2012 and ending when the said works have been completed;

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 articles 5 and 6, no person shall, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the motorway.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the motorway, the link roads or the roundabout.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

6. The provisions of:

(a) articles 3 and 4 shall not apply to any vehicle -

(i) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes, or

(ii) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable;

(b) article 3 shall not apply to any vehicle being used for special forces purposes; and

(c) article 4 shall not apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by a traffic officer in uniform.

7. 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

13th February 2012

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