

**2013 No. 1016**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M6 Motorway (Junctions 31-32 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Junction 31 Northbound Entry Slip Road) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013**

*Made* - - - - 23rd January 2013

*Coming into force* - - 7th February 2013

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 Motorway and its slip roads is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway and on one of those slip roads in the Districts of Preston and South Ribble in the County of Lancashire should be 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M6 Motorway (Junctions 31-32 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Junction 31 Northbound Entry Slip Road) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 7th February 2013.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M6 Motorway between Junctions 31 and 32;

“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 northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 335 metres south of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 31 to a point 365 metres north of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 31;

“the second length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 525 metres north of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 31 to a point 300 metres south of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 31;

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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 slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 31;

“the works period” means eight nights between 2000 hours and 0600 hours starting on Friday 8 February 2013 and ending on Saturday 16 February 2013. However, work 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 drainage works on the motorway.

**3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 4 and 5 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the first and second lengths of carriageway or the slip road at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

**4.** The provisions of article 3 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 of, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

**5.** 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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