

2013 No. 1154

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M50 Motorway (Junctions 2 – 4) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013**

Made - - - - 26th March 2013

Coming into force - - 2nd April 2013

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M50 Motorway (“the M50”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that motorway and some of those connecting roads, in the Counties of Gloucestershire and Herefordshire, should be restricted and prohibited 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) and regulation 16(2) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M50 Motorway (Junctions 2 – 4) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 2nd April 2013.

2. In this Order:

“the first length of motorway” means the –

- (i) westbound carriageway of the M50 from a point 1740 metres east of the centreline of the A417 Gloucester Road overbridge at Junction 2 to a point 1385 metres east of the centreline of the B4215 overbridge; and
- (ii) eastbound carriageway of the M50 from a point 232 metres south of the of the centreline of the B4215 overbridge to a point 280 metres east of the centreline of Wood End Street overbridge near Bromesbarrow Heath;

(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, as amended by S. I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 1996/3053, 2004/3168, 2004/3258 and 2006/594.

- “the second length of motorway” means the –
- (i) the westbound carriageway of the M50 from its junction with the exit slip road at Junction 2 to its roundabout junction with the A449 at Junction 4; and
 - (ii) the eastbound carriageway of the M50 from its roundabout junction with the A449 at Junction 4 to its junction with the entry slip road at Junction 2;
- “the third length of motorway” means the westbound carriageway of the M50 from a point 785 metres east of the centreline of the B4215 overbridge to a point 185 metres east of the centreline of Wood End Street overbridge near Bromesbarrow Heath;
- “the fourth length of motorway” means the eastbound carriageway of the M50 from a point 740 metres east of the A417 Gloucester Road overbridge at Junction 2 to a point 180 metres west of the centreline of Callow Farm Road overbridge east of Dymock;
- “the first slip road” means the slip road leading to the westbound carriageway of the M50 at Junction 2;
- “the second slip road” means the slip road leading –
- (i) to the westbound carriageway of the M50 at Junction 3;
 - (ii) from the westbound carriageway of the M50 at Junction 3;
 - (iii) to the eastbound carriageway of the M50 at Junction 3;
 - (iv) from the eastbound carriageway of the M50 at Junction 3; and
 - (v) from the eastbound carriageway of the M50 at Junction 2;
- “the Regulations” means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982;
- “a hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation 3(1) (e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the third length of motorway and the fourth length of motorway;
- “overall width” has the same meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(a);
- “the works period” means the period starting at 0:01 hours on Saturday 6th April 2013 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.

(a) S.I. 1986/1078, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of motorway or the first slip road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed on the second length of motorway, the third length of motorway, the fourth length of motorway, the first slip road or the second slip road.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 3.25 metres to enter or proceed in the third length of motorway or the fourth length of motorway.

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

7. The provisions of –

(a) articles 3, 4 and 5 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, or a traffic officer in uniform;

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

(c) articles 4 and 5 shall not apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works.

8. During the works period, regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Regulations, in respect of a hard shoulder, are hereby suspended 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

26th March 2013

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