#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

### 2014 No. 2251

## ROAD TRAFFIC

# The M48 Motorway (Severn Bridge) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014

Made - - - - 21st August 2014

Coming into force - - 22nd August 2014

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M48 Motorway ("the M48") and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and some of those connecting roads in South Gloucestershire, the County of Gloucestershire and the County of Monmouthshire should be prohibited for the purpose of facilitating the holding of a relevant event:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 16A(2)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

**1.** This Order may be cited as the M48 Motorway (Severn Bridge) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 22nd August 2014.

#### 2. In this Order -

"the M48" means (i) the westbound carriageway of the M48 over the Severn Bridge from the tip of the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 1 to the tip of the nosing of the westbound entry slip road at Junction 2; and (ii) the eastbound carriageway of the M48 over the Severn Bridge from the tip of the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 2 to the tip of the nosing of the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 1;

"the slip roads" mean (i) the eastbound entry slip road at M48 Junction 2; and (ii) the westbound entry slip road at M48 Junction 1;

"the footpath / cycle track" means the footpath / cycle track adjacent to the M48 eastbound between Junctions 2 and 1;

"the tip of the nosing" means the first point where an entry slip road joins the carriageway of a motorway or the last point where an exit slip road leaves the carriageway of a motorway;

"authorised traffic" means traffic classes, as specified in Schedule 4 to the Highways Act 1980(b): (a) Class VII – pedal cycles; (b) Class IX - pedestrians, perambulators, push-chairs and other forms of baby carriages and dogs on leads; (c) Class X - motor cycles where the engine cylinder size is less than 50 cubic centimetres; and (d) Class XI - invalid carriages;

"event" means the Severn Bridge Half Marathon;

"a first event period" means a period of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours starting at 08.20 hours on Sunday 24th August 2014;

<sup>(</sup>a) 1984 c.27; Section 16A was inserted by the Road Traffic (Special Events) Act 1994 (c.11), section 1(1).

<sup>(</sup>**b**) 1980 c 66.

"a second event period" means a period of 3½ hours starting at 09.30 hours on Sunday 24th August 2014;

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 5, no person shall, during a first event period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the M48 and the slip roads.
- **4.** Subject as mentioned in article 5, no authorised traffic, as defined in article 2 above, shall enter or proceed in the footpath / cycle track during the second event period.
- **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 and shall not apply to:
  - (a) a vehicle being used for police, traffic officer, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;
  - (b) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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21st August 2014