

**2014 No. 2498**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M53 Motorway (Junctions 8-4 Northbound and Southbound  
Carriageways and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of  
Traffic) Order 2014**

*Made* - - - - *10th September 2014*

*Coming into force* - - *15th September 2014*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M53 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway and on twelve of those slip roads in Cheshire West and Chester and the District of Wirral in Merseyside should be 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<sup>(a)</sup> hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M53 Motorway (Junctions 8-4 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 15th September 2014.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M53 Motorway between Junctions 8 and 4;

“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 the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 8 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 5;

“the second length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 5 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 7;

“the first slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 4;

“the second slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 4;

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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 third slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

“the fourth slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

“the fifth slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 6;

“the sixth slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 6;

“the seventh slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 6;

“the eighth slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 6;

“the ninth slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 7;

“the tenth slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 7;

“the eleventh slip road” means the entry slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 7;

“the twelfth slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 8;

“the works period” means periods overnight between 2200 hours and 0500 hours (continuing to 0700 hours on Saturday and Sunday mornings) during a period starting on Tuesday 16 September 2014 and ending on Friday 10 October 2014. 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 re-surfacing, road renewal and maintenance works on the motorway.

**3.** Subject to as mentioned in article 4 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the first and second lengths of carriageway or the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth slip roads.

**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, vehicles being used in connection with the works, or by traffic officers, or to any vehicle proceeding at the direction, or with the permission of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

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