

**2014 No. 3540**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M55 Motorway (Junctions 4-1 Eastbound Carriageway and Junction 3 Eastbound Entry Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2014**

*Made* - - - - *24th December 2014*

*Coming into force* - - *11th January 2015*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M55 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on a section of that motorway and on one of those slip roads in the District of Fylde in the County of Lancashire 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M55 Motorway (Junctions 4-1 Eastbound Carriageway and Junction 3 Eastbound Entry Slip Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on 11th January 2015.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M55 Motorway between Junctions 4 and 1;

“the length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 397 metres west of the centreline of Bradshaw Lane overbridge to a point 315 metres east of the centreline of Moorside overbridge;

“the slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 3;

“the works period” means periods overnight between 2000 hours and 0600 hours during a period starting on Monday 12th January 2015 and ending on Friday 16th January 2015. 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 carriageway patching and road marking works.

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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.

**3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the length of carriageway at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in article 5 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the slip road.

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

And nothing in article 4 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works, for winter maintenance purposes, or by traffic officers.

**6.** 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<sup>(a)</sup> 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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<sup>(a)</sup> S.I. 2011/935.