

**2010 No. 2528**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M5 Motorway (Junctions 23-24) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010**

*Made* - - - - - *6 October 2010*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *9 October 2010*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M5 Motorway (“the M5”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on a length of that road and those connecting roads near Bridgwater in the County of Somerset 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M5 Motorway (Junctions 23-24) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010 and shall come into force on 9 October 2010.

2. In this Order –

“the M5” means the M5 near Junction 24 from a point at the centre of Bath Road Overbridge (south of Junction 23) to a point at the centre of Moon Lane Overbridge (south of Junction 24);

“the slip roads” mean the northbound and southbound exit and entry slip roads at M5 Junction 24;

“the hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations which is adjacent to the M5 and the slip roads;

“the Regulations” means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

“the works” mean resurfacing, road markings, joint repairs, drainage, signage and barrier works;

“a works period” means a period of 6½ hours starting at 23.00 hours on Monday 11 October 2010 or any subsequent day 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.

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the M5, the slip roads and the hard shoulder.

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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;  
(b) S.I. 1982 / 1163, amended by S.I. 1983 / 374, 1984 / 1479 and 1992 / 1364;

4. The provisions of article 3 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, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;

(b) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable.

5. During the works period, regulation 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) regulation 9 of the Regulations are hereby suspended, in respect of the hard shoulder, at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

6 October 2010

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