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ROAD TRAFFIC

The M6 Motorway (Junctions 28-29 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Slip Roads) and (Charnock Richard Services Northbound Entry and Exit Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - - *22nd February 2012*
Coming into force - - *26th February 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway and on four of those slip roads in the District of South Ribble 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M6 Motorway (Junctions 28-29 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Slip Roads) and (Charnock Richard Services Northbound Entry and Exit Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 26th February 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road” means the last point where the slip road leaves the carriageway;

“the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road” means the first point where the slip road joins the carriageway;

“the motorway” means the M6 Motorway between Junctions 28 and 29;

“the first length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 300 metres south of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 29 to a point 100 metres north of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 29;

“the second length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 100 metres north of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 29 to a point 300 metres south of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 29;

(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 length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1.5 kilometres south of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 29 to a point 500 metres north of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 29;

“the fourth length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1.3 kilometres north of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 29 to a point 700 metres south of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 29;

“the fifth length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 500 metres south of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 29 to a point 300 metres north of the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 29;

“the sixth length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 300 metres north of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 29 to a point 500 metres south of the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 29;

“the first slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 29;

“the second slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 29;

“the third slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway to Charnock Richard Services;

“the fourth slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the motorway from Charnock Richard Services;

“hardshoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(a);

“the lengths of hardshoulder” means the hardshoulder adjacent to the fifth and sixth lengths of carriageway;

“the works period” means five nights between 2200 hours and 0500 hours during a period starting on Monday 27 February 2012 and ending on Saturday 17 March 2012. 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 resurfacing and bridge joint replacement works on the motorway;

3. The provisions of regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982 (a) are suspended in relation to the lengths of hardshoulder defined in article 2 of this Order at such times and to such extent as may be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article, “hardshoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 6 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 and fourth slip roads.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the third and fourth lengths of carriageway or the lengths of hardshoulder at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

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

6. The provisions of articles 4 and 5 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 or by traffic officers.

7. 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(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

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