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2010 No. 1290

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M4 Motorway (Junction 11) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2010

Made - - - -	*6th April 2010*
Coming into force - -	*11th April 2010*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M4 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on a length of that motorway and on some of those connecting roads because works are being 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 M4 Motorway (Junction 11) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2010 and shall come into force on 11th April 2010.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M4 Motorway between points 3200 metres west of the tip of the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 11 (A33) and 3200 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 11 (A33) near Reading in the District of West Berkshire, the Borough of Reading and the District of Wokingham;

"the tip of the nosing" means –

(i) the first point where the eastbound exit slip road leaves the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 11, or

(ii) the first point where the eastbound entry slip road joins the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 11;

"the eastbound carriageway" and "the westbound carriageway" mean, respectively, the eastbound carriageway and the westbound carriageway of the motorway;

"the Regulations" means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(**b**);

"a hard shoulder" means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the eastbound carriageway, the westbound carriageway or the carriageway of a slip road;

"a slip road" means –

(i) the road leading from the eastbound carriageway of the motorway to the A33 at Junction 11,

(**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, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 2004/3258.

(ii) the road leading to the westbound carriageway of the motorway from the A33 at Junction 11,

(iii) the road leading from the westbound carriageway of the motorway to the A33 at Junction 11, or

(iv) the road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from the A33 at Junction 11;

"a length of carriageway" means –

(i) the westbound carriageway of the motorway from its junction with the westbound exit slip road at Junction 11 to its junction with the westbound entry slip road at that junction, or

(ii) the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from its junction with the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 11 to its junction with the eastbound entry slip road at that junction;

"overall width" has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(**a**);

"recovery vehicle" has the meaning given in paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the Vehicle Excise and Registration Act 1994(**b**);

"works" means bridge installation, slip road improvement and other associated works on the motorway;

"a first period" means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Sunday 11th April 2010 or on any subsequent day until 10th September 2010; and

"a second period" means a period of 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Sunday 11th April 2010 or on any subsequent day until 10th September 2010.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 below, no person shall, during a second period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a length of carriageway or a slip road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6, 7 and 8 below, no person shall, during a first period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the eastbound carriageway, the westbound carriageway, a slip road or a hard shoulder.

5. Subject as mentioned in articles 6, 7 and 8 below, no person shall, during a first period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 6 feet 6 inches to enter or proceed in –

(a) any lane other than the nearside lane in a carriageway or length of carriageway, where two lanes in that carriageway or length and the hard shoulder adjacent to that carriageway or length are open for use by traffic; or

(b) any lane other than the nearside lane or the middle lane of three lanes in a carriageway or length of carriageway, where only those lanes are open for use by traffic;

and in this article a reference to a carriageway is a reference to the eastbound carriageway or the westbound carriageway.

6. The provisions of articles 3, 4 and 5 above shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

7. (1) Nothing in articles 3 or 5 above shall apply to -

(a) a recovery vehicle or a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;

(b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer purposes;

(**a**) S.I.1986/1078; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.
(**b**) 1994 c.22.

(c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or

(d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

(2) Nothing in article 4 above shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes.

8. During a first period, the provisions of regulations 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Regulations are hereby suspended in respect of a 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 for Transport

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6th April 2010