STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No. 2543

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M4 Motorway (Winnersh Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011

Made - - - -	*10th October 2011*
Coming into force - -	*29th October 2011*

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 on a length of that motorway and prohibited on some of those connecting roads 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 M4 Motorway (Winnersh Interchange) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 29th October 2011.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M4 Motorway at Winnersh Interchange (M4 Junction 10/A329(M)) in the Borough of Wokingham;

"a length of carriageway" means –

(i) the westbound carriageway of the motorway between the A321 overbridge near Winnersh Interchange and a point 300 metres west of Winnersh Interchange (A329(M)) overbridge, or

(ii) the eastbound carriageway of the motorway between a point 200 metres west of the A329 (Reading Road) underbridge near Winnersh Interchange and a point 300 metres east of Winnersh Interchange (A329(M)) overbridge;

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

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

"abnormal load" means a vehicle having an overall width exceeding 9 feet 6 inches;

"a link road" means –

(i) the road leading from the northbound carriageway of the A329(M) to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Winnersh Interchange, or

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

(ii) the road leading from the southbound carriageway of the A329(M) to the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Winnersh Interchange;

"works" mean bridge pier protection work on the motorway;

"a first works period" means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Monday 31st October 2011 or on any subsequent day until 28th April 2013;

"a second works period" means a period of 8 hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 31st October 2011 or on any subsequent day until 28th April 2013;

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 articles 5 and 7, no person shall, during a second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a link road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 7, no person shall, during a first works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on a length of carriageway.

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

6. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 7, no person shall, during a first works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 6 feet 6 inches to enter or proceed in any lane other than the nearside lane of two or more lanes in a length of carriageway.

7. (1) Nothing in articles 3 or 6 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, traffic officer or fire and rescue authority purposes;

(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 shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes and to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulation 2011(**a**) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

(3) Nothing in article 6 shall apply to an abnormal load.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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in the Highways Agency

10th October 2011

(**a**) S.I. 2011/935.