STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 2474

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M65 Motorway (Junctions 4-3 Westbound Carriageway and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - - *20th September 2012*

Coming into force - - *26th September 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M65 Motorway and its slip roads is satisfied that traffic on a section of that motorway and on two of those slip roads in the District of Blackburn with Darwen in the County of Lancashire should be prohibited 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 M65 Motorway (Junctions 4-3 Westbound Carriageway and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 26th September 2012.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M65 Motorway between Junctions 4 and 3;

"works" means resurfacing and associated works on the motorway;

"works period" means periods overnight between 2200 hours and 0500 hours during a period starting on Thursday 27 September 2012 and ending Thursday 11 October 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;

"the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road" means the last point where the slip road leaves the carriageway of the motorway;

"the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road" means the first point where the slip road joins the carriageway of the motorway;

"the length of carriageway" means a section of the westbound carriageway of the motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at junction 4. To the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at junction 3;

(**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 first slip road" means the entry slip road leading to the westbound carriageway of the motorway at junction 4;

"the second slip road" means the exit slip road leading from the westbound carriageway of the motorway at junction 3;

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4 of this order, during the works period, no person shall cause permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the length of carriageway or the first and second slip roads.

4. The provisions of article 3 of this Order shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs and shall not apply to any vehicle being used for emergency purposes by the police, fire and rescue or ambulance services, vehicles being used in connection with the works, or by traffic officers, or any vehicle proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable or traffic officer in uniform.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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