STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1966 No. 530

ROAD TRAFFIC

SPECIAL ROADS

The Motorways Traffic (England) (Amendment) Regulations 1966

Made - - - -	4*th May* 1966
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Coming into Operation	23*rd May* 1966

The Minister of Transport, in exercise of her powers under section 37 of the Road Traffic Act 1960(**a**) and all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of section 260(2) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on 23rd May 1966 and may be cited as the Motorways Traffic (England) (Amendment) Regulations 1966.

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. The Motorways Traffic Regulations 1959(**c**) shall be amended by inserting after Regulation 11 thereof the following Regulation :—

" Restriction on use of right-hand or off side lane.

11(A)—(1) This Regulation applies to :—

(*a*) a motor vehicle other than—

(i) a motor car with an unladen weight not exceeding 3 tons ;

(ii) a heavy motor car constructed solely for the carriage of passengers and their effects and not adapted or used for any other purpose ; or

(iii) a motorcycle ; and

(*b*) a motor vehicle drawing a trailer.

(2) No vehicle to which this Regulation applies shall be driven, or moved or stop or remain at rest on the right-hand or off side lane of any length of carriageway which has three traffic lanes at any place where all three lanes are open for use by traffic proceeding in the same direction :

Provided that this prohibition shall not apply to any vehicle while it is being driven on the right-hand or off side lane in order to pass another vehicle which is carrying or drawing a load of such exceptional width that that vehicle can pass it only if it is driven on the right-hand or off side lane."

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport the 4th May 1966.

(L.S.)

Barbara Castle,
The Minister of Transport.

(**a**) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 16. (**b**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (**c**) S.I. 1959/1147 (1959 II, p. 2507).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Motorways Traffic Regulations 1959 in so far as they apply to England excluding Monmouthshire.

The Regulations prohibit any goods vehicle with an unladen weight in excess of 3 tons and any vehicle drawing a trailer from using the right-hand or off side lane of a three-lane carriageway on a motorway in England excluding Monmouthshire, at any place where all three lanes are open for use by traffic proceeding in the same direction. The prohibition does not apply to a vehicle while it is passing another vehicle carrying or drawing a load of such exceptional width that it can only be passed on the right-hand or off side lane.

The general exceptions and relaxations provided for in Regulation 15 of the 1959 Regulations apply to this prohibition.

The prohibition comes into force immediately after midnight at the end of Sunday 22nd May 1966.