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ROAD TRAFFIC

SPECIAL ROADS

The Motorways Traffic (Temporary Speed Limit) (England) Regulations 1966

Made - - - - *4th April* 1966
Coming into Operation *14th April* 1966
**To be laid before Parliament*

The Minister of Transport, in exercise of her powers under section 37 of the Road Traffic Act 1960(a) and of all other powers her enabling in that behalf 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 14th April 1966 and may be cited as the Motorways Traffic (Temporary Speed Limit) (England) Regulations 1966.

2.—(1) In these Regulations the expression "motorway" has the meaning assigned to it in the Motorways Traffic Regulations 1959(b).

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

3. No person shall, during the period commencing immediately after midnight at the end of Wednesday 13th April 1966 and ending at midnight at the end of Sunday 12th June 1966, drive a motor vehicle on a motorway at a speed greater than 70 miles per hour:

Provided that this Regulation shall not apply to the driving of a motor vehicle on any length of motorway which is subject to a speed restriction by virtue of the M.4 (Speed Limit) Regulations 1964(d).

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

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Barbara Castle,
The Minister of Transport.

* This Instrument was laid before Parliament on 19th April 1966.

(a) 8 & 9 Eliz. 2. c. 16.
(b) S.I. 1959/1147 (1959 II, p. 2507).
(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(d) S.I. 1964/1517.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations impose a maximum speed limit of 70 miles per hour on the driving of motor vehicles on motorways (other than the two lengths of the M.4 which are already subject to lower speed limits) in England excluding Monmouthshire, from midnight at the end of Wednesday 13th April 1966 to midnight at the end of Sunday 12th June 1966. The speed limit is a continuation of the speed limit imposed by The Motorways Traffic (Temporary Speed Limit) (England) Regulations 1965 (S.I. 1965/2063) for a period expiring at midnight at the end of Wednesday 13th April 1966.

On roads other than motorways in England excluding Monmouthshire the same speed limit is continued for the same period by virtue of the 70 miles per hour (Temporary Speed Limit) (England) Order 1966 (S.I. 1966/372).