

2012 No. 554

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M6 Motorway (Junctions 33-34 Southbound Carriageway)
(Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012**

Made - - - - *15th February 2012*

Coming into force - - *2nd March 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 Motorway is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway in the District of Lancaster in the County of Lancashire should be restricted 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M6 Motorway (Junctions 33-34 Southbound Carriageway) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 2nd March 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M6 Motorway between Junctions 33 and 34;

“the first length of carriageway” means a section of the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 2000 metres north of the centreline of Wyresdale Road bridge to a point 1000 metres south of the centreline of Wyresdale Road bridge;

“the second length of carriageway” means a section of the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 200 metres north of the centreline of Wyresdale Road bridge to a point 1000 metres north of the centreline of Wyresdale Road bridge;

“hardshoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

“the length of hardshoulder” means the hardshoulder adjacent to the second length of carriageway;

“the first works period” means a period starting at 2000 hours on Saturday 3 March 2012 and ending at 0530 hours on Wednesday 4 April 2012. Work may start and continue beyond these dates for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work;

“the second works period” means one night between 2000 hours and 0530 hours starting on Saturday 3 March 2012 and ending on Sunday 4 March 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;

(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.

“works” means structure replacement works on the motorway;

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 of this Order, during the first works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the first length of carriageway at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 of this Order, during the second works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the length of hardshoulder at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

5. The provisions of regulation 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(a) are suspended in relation to the length of hardshoulder defined in article 2 of this Order at such times and to such extent as may be indicated by traffic signs and this article “hardshoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

6. The provisions of articles 3, 4 and 5 of this Order shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs, and shall not apply to a vehicle being used for emergency purposes by the police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance services or anything done at the direction of, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

7. No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(b) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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(a)S.I. 1982/1163 amended by S.I.1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364.
(b) S.I. 2011/935