

2013 No. 2151

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M1 Motorway (Between Junctions 11 and 12) (Temporary 50 Miles Per Hour Speed Restriction) Order 2013

Made - - - - - *19th August 2013*

Coming into force - - - - - *26th August 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M1 Motorway (“the M1”), is satisfied that traffic on several lengths of that motorway in Central Bedfordshire, 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) and regulation 16(2) of the Motorway Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b) hereby makes the following Order: -

1. This Order may be cited as the M1 Motorway (Between Junctions 11 and 12) (Temporary 50 Miles Per Hour Speed Restriction) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 26th August 2013.

2. In this Order –

“the motorway” means the –

- (a) northbound carriageway of the M1 between points 3000 metres south and 1000 metres north of Common Farm over-bridge, and
- (b) southbound carriageway of the M1 between points 6200 metres north and 1000 metres south of Woodcock Farm over-bridge;

“works” mean parapet replacement on Woodcock Farm and Common Farm Accommodation over-bridges;

“a works period” means a period of –

- (a) 7 hours starting at 22:00 hours on Monday 2nd September 2013 or on any subsequent day (other than a Friday, Saturday or Sunday),
- (b) 11 hours starting at 22.00 hours on Friday 6th September 2013 or on any subsequent Friday,
- (c) 13 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Saturday 7th September 2013 or on any subsequent Saturday, or
- (d) 8 hours starting at 21.00 hours on Sunday 8th September 2013 or on any subsequent Sunday,

until the works have been completed;

and a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to the article in this Order which bears that number and a reference to a bridge is a reference to the centre point of that bridge.

(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, as amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 1996/3053, 2004/3168, 2004/3258 and 2006/594.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 4, 5 and 6 no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the motorway.

4. The provisions of article 3 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall, from time to time, be indicated by traffic signs.

5. The provisions of article 3 shall not apply to a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes, or to a vehicle falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

6. The provisions of Regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulation 1982 are hereby suspended in relation to the hard shoulder adjacent to the motorway, during a works period, at such times and to such extent as may be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article “hard shoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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19th August 2013

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