

2013 No. 2186

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M2 Motorway (Junctions 3 - 5) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013

Made - - - - *27th August 2013*

Coming into force - - *14th September 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M2 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths of that motorway and prohibited on some of those connecting roads 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 M2 Motorway (Junctions 3 - 5) (Temporary Restriction and prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 14th September 2013.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M2 Motorway in the County of Kent;

“a first length of motorway” means –

- (i) the eastbound carriageway of the motorway between Borstal Farm overbridge west of Junction 3 (A229) and the eastbound exit slip road at that junction,
- (ii) the eastbound carriageway of the motorway between Forge Lane overbridge west of Junction 4 (A278) and the eastbound exit slip road at that junction,
- (iii) the westbound carriageway of the motorway between Vinsons Farm underbridge east of Junction 5 (A249) and the westbound exit slip road at that junction, or
- (iv) the westbound carriageway of the motorway between the western overbridge at Junction 3 (A229) to the westbound entry slip road at that junction;

“a second length of motorway” means –

- (i) the eastbound carriageway of the motorway between the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 3 (A229) and the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 4 (A278),
- (ii) the eastbound carriageway of the motorway between the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 4 (A278) and the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 5 (A249), or
- (iii) the westbound carriageway of the motorway between the westbound exit slip road at Junction 5 (A249) and the westbound entry slip road at Junction 3 (A229);

(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.

“a slip road” means –

- (i) any road leading to or from the eastbound carriageway or to or from the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 3 (A229),
- (ii) any road leading to or from the eastbound carriageway or to or from the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 4 (A278),
- (iii) any road leading to or from the eastbound carriageway or to or from the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Medway Services,
- (iv) the road leading from the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5 (A249), or
- (v) the road leading to the westbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5 (A249);

“works” mean resurfacing, structure works, road stud/markings, traffic detection equipment and all essential carriageway works on the motorway;

“a works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 2000 hours on Monday 16th September 2013 or on any subsequent day until 13th March 2015.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a second length of motorway or a slip road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on a first length of motorway.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 above shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

6. (1) Nothing in article 3 above shall apply to -

- (a) a recovery vehicle or a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;
- (b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, traffic officer or fire and rescue authority purposes;
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes.

(2) Nothing in article 4 shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes and to vehicles 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

27th August 2013

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