

2013 No. 2448

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M61 Motorway (Junction 5 Northbound and Southbound
Carriageways and Link and Slip Roads to the A666) (Temporary
Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013**

Made - - - - *12th September 2013*

Coming into force - - *15th September 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M61 Motorway and its link and slip roads is satisfied that traffic on six of those link and slip roads in the District of Salford and Bolton in the Borough of Greater Manchester should be prohibited 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 M61 Motorway (Junction 5 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Link and Slip Roads to the A666) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 15th September 2013.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M61 Motorway at Junction 5;

“works” means resurfacing, retexturing, road markings, stud and general maintenance works on the M61 Motorway.

“the works period” means periods overnight between 2200 hours and 0500, during a period starting on Monday 16 September 2013 and ending on Saturday 9 November 2013. However, work 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;

“the first length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 800 metres north of the centreline of Bullough’s Farm footbridge to a point 100 metres north of the centreline of Wingate’s underpass;

“the second length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 350 metres south of New Winning’s overbridge to a point 300 metres north of the centreline of Heatherfield Farm footbridge;

(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

“the third length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 100 metres south of the centreline of Heathfield Farm footbridge to a point at the centreline of Chew Moor railway bridge;

“the fourth length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 250 metres north of the centreline of Wingate’s underpass to a point at the centreline of St Helens Road overbridge;

“the first link road” means the link road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 2 to the A580 eastbound carriageway, from the first point where the link road diverges from the main carriageway of the motorway, to the last point where it merges with the A580 eastbound carriageway;

“the second link road” means the link road leading from the A666 Kearsley Spur southbound carriageway to the first link road, from the centre point where the link road is joined by the A666 southbound carriageway, to the last point where it merges with the first link road;

“the first slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

“the second slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

“the third slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

“the fourth slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

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

“the lengths of hardshoulder” means the hardshoulder adjacent to the third and fourth lengths of carriageway.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 of this Order no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the first and second lengths of carriageway or in the lengths of hardshoulder defined in article 2 of this Order.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 5 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the third and fourth lengths of carriageway, the first and second link roads or the first, second, third and fourth slip road.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 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.

Nothing in article 4 of this Order shall apply to vehicles being used in connection with the works, or by traffic officers.

6. 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 (a) 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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