

2013 No. 2868

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M5 Motorway (Junctions 17-18) (Temporary Restriction
and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013**

Made - - - - *6th November 2013*

Coming into force - - *9th November 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M5 Motorway (“the M5”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and one of those connecting roads between Junctions 17 and 18 in South Gloucestershire should be restricted and 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a) and regulation 16(2) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b), hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as the M5 Motorway (Junctions 17-18) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 9th November 2013.

2. In this Order –

“the first length of the M5” means the southbound carriageway of the M5 from the tip of the nosing of the southbound entry slip road at Junction 17 to a point 500 metres south of the centre of Lawrence Weston Overbridge;

“the second length of the M5” means the southbound carriageway of the M5 at Junction 17 between the tip of the nosing of the southbound exit slip road and the tip of the nosing of the southbound entry slip road;

“the slip road” means the southbound entry slip road at M5 Junction 17;

“the Regulations” means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982;

“the hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations which is adjacent to the first length of the M5;

“tip of the nosing” means the first point where an entry slip road joins the carriageway of a motorway or the last point where an exit slip road leaves the carriageway of a motorway;

“the works” mean resurfacing, lining and studding;

“a works period” means a period of 7 hours starting at 22.00 hours on Monday 11th November 2013 or on any subsequent day and ending when the said works have been completed;

(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.

and a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to an article in this Order which bears that number.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 4, 5 and 7, no person shall, during a works period:

- (a) drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of the M5;
- (b) cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of the M5 or the slip road.

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 and shall not apply to:

- (a) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes; or
- (b) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable.

5. The provisions of article 3(b) shall not apply to a vehicle being used in connection with the works, for traffic officer purposes or for winter maintenance purposes.

6. During the works period, regulation 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) regulation 9 of the Regulations are hereby suspended, in respect of the hard shoulder, at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

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 when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

6th November 2013

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