

**2014 No. 115**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M1 and M45 Motorways (M1 Junctions 18 to 16,  
Northamptonshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of  
Traffic) Order 2014**

*Made* - - - - *10th January 2014*

*Coming into force* - - *17th January 2014*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M1 Motorway (“the M1”), the M45 Motorway (“the M45”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of those motorways and some of those connecting roads, in the County of Northamptonshire, 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 M1 and M45 Motorways (M1 Junctions 18 to 16, Northamptonshire) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2014 and shall come into force on Friday 17th January 2014.

2. In this Order –

“the first length of motorway” means the southbound carriageway of the M1 from a point 2000 metres north of its junction with the entry slip road at Junction 18 to its junction with the exit slip road at Junction 16;

“the second length of motorway” means the southbound carriageway of the M1 from its junction with the exit slip road at Junction 18 to its junction with the entry slip road at Junction 16; and

“the third length of motorway” means the eastbound carriageway of the M45 from its junction with the exit slip road at Junction 1 to its junction with the M1 (M1 Junction 17);

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(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.

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“a slip road”	means the slip roads leading – (a) to the southbound carriageway of the M1 at Junction 18; (b) from the southbound carriageway of the M1 to Watford Gap Service Area, south of Junction 17; (c) to the southbound carriageway of the M1 from Watford Gap Service Area; and (d) from the southbound carriageway of the M1 at Junction 16;
“overall width”	has the same meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(a);
“the Regulations”	means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982;
“a hard shoulder”	means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of Regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the second length of motorway;
"the works period"	means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Friday 24th January 2014 and ending when the said 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.

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

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed on the second length of motorway, the third length of motorway or a slip road.

**5.** Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 2 metres to enter or proceed in lane 3 of the second length of motorway.

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

**7.** The provisions of –

(a) article 3 shall not apply to any vehicle being used for special forces purposes;

(b) articles 3, 4 and 5 shall not to any vehicle being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes; and

(c) articles 4 and 5 shall not apply to any vehicle proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable, or traffic officer in uniform, being used by a traffic officer in uniform or being used in connection with the works.

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(a) S.I. 1986/1078, to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order

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

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

10th January 2014

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