

2015 No. 1053

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M1 Motorway (Junctions 2 - 4) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015

Made - - - - 26th January 2015

Coming into force - - 14th February 2015

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M1 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths of that road and 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M1 Motorway (Junctions 2 - 4) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015 and shall come into force on 14th February 2015.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M1 Motorway in the County of Hertfordshire;

“the first length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1320 metres north of the Aerodrome Road underbridge to a point 800 metres north of the Edgware Way overbridge (A41);

“the second length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 220 metres south of the London Gateway Service area south overbridge to a point 400 metres south of Edgware Way overbridge (A41);

“the third length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 400 metres south and 700 metres north of the Edgware Way overbridge (A41);

“the fourth length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 800 metres north and 300 metres south of the Edgware Way overbridge (A41);

“a link road” means the road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at London Gateway Service Area;

“the Regulations” means the regulation 16(2) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

“a hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the third length of carriageway or the fourth length of carriageway;

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

“overall width” has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulation 1986(a);

“recovery vehicle” has the meaning given in paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the Vehicle Excise and Registration Act 1994(b);

“works” means construction of an emergency cross-over gate in the central safety barrier between both carriageways and all associated works;

“a first works period” means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Monday 16th February 2015 or on any subsequent day until 13th August 2016;

“a second works period” means a period of 9 hours starting at 2100 hours on Monday 16th February 2015 or on any subsequent day until 13th August 2016, and

the lanes of a carriageway are numbered from the nearside lane (lane 1) to the offside lane (lane 3).

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 4 and 5 below, no person shall,—

(a) during a first works period drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of carriageway, the second length of carriageway and hard shoulder;

(b) during a first works period cause or permit —

(i) a vehicle with an overall width exceeding 3.25 metres to enter or proceed in Lane 1 or Lane 2, or

(ii) a vehicle with an overall width exceeding 2.75 metres to enter or proceed in Lane 3;

on the third length of carriageway or the fourth length of carriageway;

(c) during a second works period cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a link road.

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

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

(a) a recovery vehicle or vehicle being used in connection with the said works;

(b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer 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 3(a) above 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(c) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

6. During a works period, the provisions of regulations 5 and (insofar 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 shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

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

(b) 1994 c.22.

(c) S.I.2011/935

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

26th January 2015

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