

**2015 No. 1173**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M6 Motorway (Junctions 10 to 8, Walsall) (Temporary  
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015**

*Made* - - - - *23rd February 2015*  
*Coming into force* - - *2nd March 2015*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 Motorway (“the M6”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that motorway and two of those connecting roads, in the Metropolitan Boroughs of Sandwell and Walsall, 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 M6 Motorway (Junctions 10 to 8, Walsall) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015 and shall come into force on Monday 2nd March 2015.

2. In this Order:

“the first length of motorway” means the southbound carriageway of the M6 from a point 800 metres south of the centreline of the Junction 9 southern overbridge, to the centreline of the M5 southbound link road underbridge;

“the second length of motorway” means the southbound carriageway of the M6 from the centreline of the underbridge of the link road leading to the southbound carriageway of the M5, to its junction with the entry slip road leading from the M5 at M6 Junction 8;

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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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“the third length of motorway”	means the southbound carriageway of the M6 from the junction with the exit slip road at Junction 10, to the junction with the entry slip road at Junction 8;
“a slip road”	means the slip roads leading to the southbound carriageway of the M6 at – a) Junction 10; and b) Junction 9;
“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;
“overall width”	has the same meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986(a);
“the works period”	means the period starting at 00:01 hours on Monday 9th March 2015 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 7 and 8, 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 7 and 8, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the second length of motorway.

**5.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed on the third length of motorway or a slip road.

**6.** Subject as mentioned in articles 7 and 8, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 2.9 metres to enter or proceed in the second length of motorway.

**7.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 shall apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

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

**8.** The provisions of –

- (a) articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 shall not apply to any vehicle –
  - (i) being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes; or
  - (ii) proceeding at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police constable;
- (b) articles 3 and 4 shall not apply to any vehicle being used for special forces purposes; and
- (c) articles 5 and 6 shall not apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works, or by, or with the permission of, a traffic officer in uniform.

**9.** During the works period, regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Regulations, in respect of a hard shoulder, are hereby suspended 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

23rd February 2015

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