

1973 No. 1021

ROAD TRAFFIC

SPECIAL ROADS

**The Motorways Traffic (Lengths of the M5)  
(Restriction of Overtaking) Regulations 1973**

<i>Made</i> - - -	6th June 1973
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	15th June 1973
<i>Coming into Operation</i>	6th July 1973

The Secretary of State for the Environment, in exercise of powers conferred by section 13(2) and (3) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1967(a) and now vested in him(b) and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with the provisions of section 107(2) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on 6th July 1973 and may be cited as the Motorways Traffic (Lengths of the M5) (Restriction of Overtaking) Regulations 1973.

(2) These Regulations shall be construed as one with the Motorways Traffic Regulations 1959(c), as amended(d) (hereinafter called “the Principal Regulations”).

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(e) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2.—(1) In this Regulation “the specified carriageways” means those lengths of carriageway of the M5 Motorway which are specified in the Schedule to these Regulations.

(2) This Regulation applies to a motor vehicle other than—

- (i) a motor car with an unladen weight not exceeding 3 tons,
- (ii) a heavy motor car constructed solely for the carriage of passengers and their effects and not adapted or used for any other purpose, or
- (iii) a motor cycle.

(3) No vehicle to which this Regulation applies shall be driven or moved or stop or remain at rest on the right-hand or offside lane of any of the specified carriageways where there are two traffic lanes open for use by traffic proceeding in the same direction.

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(a) 1967 c. 76.

(c) S.I. 1959/1147 (1959 II, p. 2507).

(e) 1889 c. 63.

(b) S.I. 1970/1681 (1970 III, p. 5551).

(d) S.I. 1971/1087 (1971 II, p. 3225).

(4) The provisions of this Regulation are, in relation to the specified carriageways, supplemental to the provisions of the Principal Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

*John Peyton,*  
Minister for Transport Industries,  
Department of the Environment.

6th June 1973.

## SCHEDULE

### THE SPECIFIED CARRIAGEWAYS

The lengths of the northbound carriageway of the M5 Motorway in the County of Worcester which have been provided in pursuance of the North of Lydiate Ash-South of Quinton Special Road Scheme 1962(a) and the North of Twynning-North of Lydiate Ash Trunk Road Order 1949(b), and which extend from a point—

- (1) 460 yards north of Foxwalks Farm overbridge in the parish of Dodford with Grafton in a northerly direction for a distance of 1,265 yards;
- (2) 790 yards north of Fockbury Road overbridge in the Urban District of Bromsgrove in a northerly direction for a distance of 1,265 yards;
- (3) 1,065 yards north of the northern-most bridge of the two which comprise Lydiate Ash junction in the Urban District of Bromsgrove in a northerly direction for a distance of 2,805 yards.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)*

These Regulations prohibit the use of the right-hand or offside lane on three lengths of motorway carriageway in Worcestershire by certain vehicles (in general, goods vehicles having an unladen weight exceeding 3 tons).

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(a) S.I. 1962/1505.

(b) S.I. 1949/2360.