The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 17(2) and (3) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(1) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, and after consultation with representative organisations in accordance with section 134(2) of that Act(2), hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the M6 Toll (Speed Limit) Regulations 2006 and shall come into force on 25th May 2006.

Imposition of speed limits

2.—(1) No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on any specified length of carriageway on the M6 Toll motorway.

(2) In this regulation “specified length of carriageway” means—

(a) the M6 Toll motorway northbound carriageway between marker post numbers MP 44/4+50 and MP 44/9+08 and between marker post numbers MP 45/3+85 and MP 45/7+90; and

(b) the M6 Toll motorway southbound carriageway between marker post numbers MP 30/6+05 and MP 30/0+64 and between marker post numbers MP 29/4+50 and MP 29/0+70.

3.—(1) No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour on any specified length of carriageway on the M6 Toll motorway.

(2) In this regulation “specified length of carriageway” means—

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(1) 1984 c. 27. Section 17 was amended by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c. 22), Schedule 8, paragraph 28 and Schedule 9 and by the Road Traffic 1991 (c. 40), Schedule 4, paragraph 25 and Schedule 8.

(2) Section 134(2) was amended by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991, Schedule 8, paragraph 77.
(a) the M6 Toll motorway northbound carriageway between marker post numbers MP44/9+08 and MP 45/3+85; and
(b) the M6 Toll motorway southbound carriageway between marker post numbers MP30/0+64 and MP 29/4+50.

Revocation

4. The M6 Toll (Speed Limit) Regulations 2003(3) are hereby revoked.

Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State

S. J. Ladyman
Minister of State

Department for Transport

13th April 2006
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

For safety reasons these Regulations impose speed limits at the main line toll plazas of the M6 Toll Motorway in order to reduce vehicle speeds in stages on the approaches to the toll booths.

The following speed limits will apply—

(i) At Great Wyrley a limit of 50 mph for approximately 460 metres from the start of the toll lane area and then a limit of 30mph for approximately 475 metres on the approach to and egress from the toll booth lanes, followed by a limit of 50mph for approximately another 405 metres; and

(ii) At Weeford Park a limit of 50mph for approximately 540 metres from the start of the toll lane area and then a limit of 30mph for approximately 615 metres on the approach to and egress from the toll booth lanes, followed by a limit of 50mph for approximately another 380 metres.

A regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no significant impact on business, charities or voluntary bodies.

A temporary Order imposing the 30mph speed limits has been in force since 17th October 2003. These Regulations will make the Order permanent and will also revoke the M6 Toll (Speed Limit) Regulations 2003, which introduced the original 50mph speed limit on the approaches to the toll booths.