

2010 No. 1743

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M49 Motorway (M5 Junction 18A to M4 Junction 22)
(Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010**

Made - - - - 24 June 2010

Coming into force - - 28 June 2010

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M49 Motorway (“the M49”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on lengths of that road and some of those connecting roads at Junction 18A in the City of Bristol and South Gloucestershire should be prohibited and restricted because works are proposed to be executed nearby:

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 M49 Motorway (M5 Junction 18A to M4 Junction 22) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010 and shall come into force on 28 June 2010.

2. In this Order –

“the first length of the M49” means the northbound carriageway of the M49 from a point at the centre of the Severn Road Overbridge to the southern edge of the M4 Junction 22 interchange roundabout;

“the second length of the M49” means the northbound carriageway of the M49 from the point where it continues from the northbound entry slip road to the M49 at Junction 18A to the southern edge of the M4 Junction 22 interchange roundabout;

“the slip roads” mean (i) the northbound exit slip road at M5 Junction 18A from the tip of the nosing with the northbound carriageway of the M5 to the point where it merges with the M49 to continue as the M49 northbound carriageway; and (ii) the northbound slip road leading from the distributor road at M5 Junction 18A to the tip of the nosing of the northbound carriageway of the M49;

“the hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations which is adjacent to the first length of the M49;

“the Regulations” means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

“the tip of the nosing” means the first point where an entry slip road joins the carriageway of a motorway or the last point where an exit slip road leaves the carriageway of a motorway;

“the works” mean the construction of a motorway communications scheme adjacent to the northbound hard shoulder on the M49;

(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 and 1992 / 1364

“the works period” means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Wednesday 30 June 2010 and ending when the said works have been completed;

“a works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Wednesday 30 June 2010 or any subsequent day 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 article 5, no person shall, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of the M49.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of the M49 and the slip roads.

5. 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 and shall not apply to:

- (a) a vehicle being used for police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;
- (b) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable.

6. The provisions of article 4 shall not apply to a vehicle being used for traffic officer purposes or in connection with the said works.

7. During a works period, regulation 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) regulation 9 of the Regulations are hereby suspended, in respect of the 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

24 June 2010

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