

2002 No. 1651

LOCAL ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M4 Motorway (Hillingdon and Hounslow)
(Speed Limits) Regulations 2002**

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The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 17(2) and (3) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), 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(b), hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the M4 Motorway (Hillingdon and Hounslow) (Speed Limits) Regulations 2002 and shall come into force on 23rd July 2002.

Prohibitions

2.—(1) No person shall drive a motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the lengths of road specified in Part II of the Schedule to these Regulations.

(2) No person shall drive a motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the lengths of road specified in Part III of the Schedule to these Regulations.

(3) No person shall drive a motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 60 miles per hour on the lengths of road specified in Part IV of the Schedule to these Regulations.

(4) Part I of the Schedule to these Regulations shall have effect for the interpretation of the Schedule.

(a) 1984 c. 27; section 17(2) was amended by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c. 22), Schedule 8, paragraph 28; and by the Road Traffic Act 1991 (c. 40), Schedule 4, paragraph 25 and Schedule 8. The M4 motorway is a special road for the purposes of section 17(2) by virtue of section 16 of the Highways Act 1980 (c. 66).

(b) Section 134(2) was amended by the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (c. 22), Schedule 8, paragraph 77.

Revocations

3. The M4 Motorway (Hillingdon and Hounslow) (Speed Limits) Regulations 1998^(a) and the M4 Motorway (Hillingdon and Hounslow) (Speed Limit) (Amendment) Regulations 1999^(b) are hereby revoked.

Signed by the authority of the
Secretary of State for Transport

24th June 2002

John Spellar
Minister for Transport,
Department for Transport

^(a) S.I. 1998/1708.
^(b) S.I. 1999/167.

PART I

INTERPRETATION

1. In this Schedule—

“the Heston Service Area access slip road” means the length of motorway from the Heston Service Area to the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway;

“the Heston Service Area exit slip road” means the length of motorway from the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway to the Heston Service Area;

“the Junction 2 eastbound access slip road” means the length of motorway from the eastbound carriageway of the A4 Great West Road to the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway;

“the Junction 2 eastbound exit slip road” means the length of motorway from the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway to the eastbound carriageway of the A4 Great West Road;

“the Junction 2 westbound access slip road” means the length of motorway from the westbound carriageway of the A4 Great West Road to the westbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway;

“the Junction 2 westbound exit slip road” means the length of motorway from the westbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway to the westbound carriageway of the A4 Great West Road;

“the Junction 3 eastbound access slip road” means the length of motorway from the Junction 3 roundabout to the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway;

“the Junction 3 eastbound exit slip road” means the length of motorway from the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway to the Junction 3 roundabout;

“the Junction 3 roundabout” means the roundabout connecting The Parkway (A312) with the main M4 Motorway;

“the Junction 3 westbound exit slip road” means the length of motorway from the westbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway to the Junction 3 roundabout;

“the Junction 4 access slip road” means the length of motorway from the Junction 4 roundabout to the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway;

“the Junction 4 roundabout” means the roundabout connecting the M4 Heathrow Airport Spur Motorway with the main M4 Motorway;

“motorway” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(a); and

“the M4 Motorway” means the London–South Wales Motorway (M4).

PART II

ROADS AFFECTED BY 40 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT

2. That length of the eastbound carriageway of the M4 Motorway from a point 47 metres east of motorway marker post 16.7 to its junction with the A4 Great West Road at Chiswick, a distance of approximately 4.6 kilometres.

3. That length of the westbound carriageway of the M4 Motorway from its junction with the A4 Great West Road at Chiswick to the centre line of the London Underground bridge carrying the Piccadilly Line over the motorway, a distance of approximately 3.76 kilometres.

4. The entire length of the Junction 2 eastbound exit slip road, a distance of approximately 344 metres.

5. The entire length of the Junction 2 eastbound access slip road, a distance of approximately 362 metres.

6. The entire length of the Junction 2 westbound exit slip road, a distance of approximately 281 metres.

7. The entire length of the Junction 2 westbound access slip road, a distance of approximately 436 metres.

8. The Heston Service Area exit slip road, from a point 268 metres east of its junction with the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway eastwards for a distance of 80 metres.

(a) S.I. 1982/1163; a relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1992/1364.

PART III

ROADS AFFECTED BY 50 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT

9. The Junction 3 westbound exit slip road, from a point 185 metres west of the western edge of the Southall Lane overbridge to a point 15 metres east of the eastern edge of the Junction 3 roundabout, a distance of approximately 220 metres.

10. The Junction 3 eastbound exit slip road, from a point 309 metres east of its junction with the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway eastwards for a distance of 285 metres.

PART IV

ROADS AFFECTED BY 60 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT

11. That length of the eastbound carriageway of the M4 Motorway from a point 13 metres west of motorway marker post 25.0 to a point 47 metres east of motorway marker post 16.7, a distance of approximately 8.4 kilometres.

12. The entire length of the Junction 3 eastbound access slip road, a distance of approximately 704 metres.

13. The Junction 3 eastbound exit slip road, from its junction with the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway eastwards for a distance of 309 metres.

14. The entire length of the Heston Service Area access slip road, a distance of approximately 360 metres.

15. The Heston Service Area exit slip road, from its junction with the eastbound main carriageway of the M4 Motorway eastwards for a distance of 268 metres.

16. The entire length of the Junction 4 access slip road, a distance of approximately 839 metres.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations revoke the M4 Motorway (Hillingdon and Hounslow) (Speed Limits) Regulations 1998 and the M4 Motorway (Hillingdon and Hounslow) (Speed Limits) (Amendment) Regulations 1999 and increase the speed limit for motor vehicles on certain lengths of the M4 Motorway and its slip roads; the speed limits for motor vehicles on lengths of other slip roads are reduced or remain the same. Those lengths of the M4 Motorway which are subject to a speed limit of 40 miles per hour are set out in Part II of the Schedule. Those lengths of the M4 Motorway which are subject to a speed limit of 50 miles per hour are set out in Part III of the Schedule. Those lengths of the M4 Motorway where the speed limit is increased to 60 miles per hour are set out in Part IV of the Schedule. Part I of the Schedule contains definitions.

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