

2010 No. 1265

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M4 Motorway (Junctions 15-16) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010

Made - - - - 30 March 2010

Coming into force - - 7 April 2010

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M4 Motorway (“the M4”), is satisfied that traffic on a length of that road between Junctions 15 and 16 in Wiltshire and the Borough of Swindon should be restricted 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) and (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M4 Motorway (Junctions 15-16) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010 and shall come into force on 7 April 2010.

2. In this Order –

“the M4” means (i) the westbound carriageway of the M4 from a point at the centre of the A4361 Croft Road Overbridge (west of Junction 15) to the tip of the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 16; and (ii) the eastbound carriageway of the M4 from the tip of the nosing of the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 16 to a point at the centre of the A4361 Croft Road Overbridge (west of Junction 15);

“the works” mean the removal of buried ties within the carriageway, associated with the removed South Leaze Bridge, and subsequent repair and white lining works;

“the hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations which is adjacent to the M4;

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

“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;

“a works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Friday 9 April 2010 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.

(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

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the M4 and the hard shoulder.

4. The provisions of article 3 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.

5. 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

30 March 2010

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