

**2011 No. 481**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M6 Motorway (Junctions 16-20 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011**

*Made* - - - - *15th February 2011*

*Coming into force* - - *28th February 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway and on six of those slip roads in Cheshire East should be prohibited and 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<sup>(a)</sup> hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M6 Motorway (Junctions 16-20 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 28th February 2011.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M6 Motorway between Junctions 16 and 20;

“the first length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1600 metres north of the centreline of Hulme Lane overbridge to a point 200 metres south of the centreline of Nursery Lane overbridge;

“the second length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1600 metres south of the centreline of the M6 Motorway Junction 16 Interchange south bridge to a point 300 metres north of the centreline of Crowley Hall Bridge;

“the third length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 140 metres north of the centreline of Hulme Lane overbridge to a point 65 metres south of the centreline of Nursery Lane overbridge;

“the fourth length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 27 metres south of the centreline of the M6 Motorway Junction 16 Interchange south bridge to a point 138 metres north of the centreline of Crowley Hall Bridge;

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(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

“the first slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 18;

“the second slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 18;

“the third slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 17;

“the fourth slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 17;

“the fifth slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 17;

“the sixth slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the motorway at junction 16;

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

“the lengths of hardshoulder” means the hardshoulder adjacent to the third and fourth lengths of carriageway;

“the works period” means periods overnight between 2200 hours and 0500 hours Monday to Friday (ending at 0600 hours on Saturdays and Sundays) during a period starting on Tuesday 1 March 2011 and ending on Thursday 21 April 2011. However, works may start and continue between the same times on subsequent nights or continue overnight until completed, for such period not exceeding 18 months as shall be required to complete the work;

“works” means resurfacing, road marking and loop cutting works on the motorway;

**3.** Subject as mentioned in article 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the first and second lengths of carriageway or the lengths of hardshoulder at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in article 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the third or fourth lengths of carriageway.

**5.** Subject as mentioned in article 7 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth slip roads.

**6.** The provisions of regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982 (a) are suspended in relation to the lengths of hardshoulder defined in article 2 of this Order at such times and to such extent as may be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article, “hardshoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those Regulations.

**7.** The provisions of articles 3, 4 and 5 of this Order 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 vehicle being used for emergency purposes by the police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance services or anything done at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

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(a) S.I. 1982/1163 amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364.

And nothing in articles 4 and 5 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by traffic officers.

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