

2012 No. 1788

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M6 Motorway (Junctions 29-31) and the M61 Motorway
(Junction 9) Northbound Carriageways (Temporary Restriction
of Traffic) Order 2012**

Made - - - - *27th June 2012*

Coming into force - - *12th July 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 and M61 Motorways is satisfied that traffic on sections of those motorways in the District of South Ribble in the County of Lancashire 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M6 Motorway (Junctions 29-31) and the M61 Motorway (Junction 9) Northbound Carriageways (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 12th July 2012.

2. In this Order:

“the first length of carriageway” means a section of the northbound carriageway of the M6 Motorway from a point 1600 metres south of the merge with the M61 northbound carriageway at Junction 30 to a point 1600 metres north of the northern parapet of the Higher Walton Bridge;

“the second length of carriageway” means a section of the northbound carriageway of the M61 Motorway from a point 1800 metres south of the merge with the M6 northbound carriageway at Junction 30 to the merge with the M6 northbound carriageway at Junction 30;

“the works period” means five nights between 2100 hours and 0600 hours starting on Friday 23 July 2012 and ending on Monday 23 July 2012. 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 and loop installation works on the M6 and M61 Motorways;

(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.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 4 and 5 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 at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

4. The provisions of article 3 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 of, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

5. No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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