
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2019 No. 1210

The Heavy Commercial Vehicles in Kent (No. 3) Order 2019

Restricted access to M20 Motorway between Junctions 8 and 9

3.—(1) Paragraph (2) applies where—

- (a) any part of the coastbound carriageway of the M20 Motorway between Junction 8 (Maidstone (East)) and Junction 9 (Ashford) is open to coastbound traffic;
- (b) a relevant provision permits such traffic to proceed on any part of the London-bound carriageway between those junctions; and
- (c) traffic signs giving notice of a restriction imposed by paragraph (2) are displayed on or near the coastbound carriageway of the M20 Motorway between Junction 7 (Maidstone) and Junction 8 (Maidstone (East)).

(2) Where this paragraph applies, a relevant vehicle proceeding in a coastbound direction must not be driven on any part of the carriageway referred to in paragraph (1)(b) unless the driver of the vehicle is acting—

- (a) at the direction, or with the permission, of a specified person; or
- (b) in compliance with a direction displayed on a traffic sign placed on or near a road.

(3) Paragraph (4) applies where—

- (a) any part of the M26 Motorway is closed, in accordance with a relevant provision, to traffic other than heavy commercial vehicles or a class of such vehicles; and
- (b) traffic signs giving notice of a restriction imposed by paragraph (4) are displayed on or near the coastbound carriageway of the M20 Motorway between Junction 7 (Maidstone) and Junction 8 (Maidstone (East)).

(4) Where this paragraph applies, a relevant vehicle proceeding in a coastbound direction on the M20 Motorway must not proceed on the coastbound carriageway of that road beyond the last point where the exit slip road at Junction 8 (Maidstone (East)) leaves that carriageway, as indicated by the markings on the carriageway, unless—

- (a) a valid M26 Motorway permit is displayed in or on the vehicle when it is proceeding through Junction 8 and in such a position that in normal daylight the permit is easily visible from a position in front of the vehicle; or
- (b) the driver of the vehicle is acting—
 - (i) at the direction, or with the permission, of a specified person; or
 - (ii) in compliance with a direction displayed on a traffic sign placed on or near a road.

(5) In this article—

“M26 Motorway permit” has the meaning given in article 7(2);

“relevant provision” means a provision in an order made under section 1, 9 or 14 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.