STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2009 No. 3431

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M53 Motorway (Junctions 5-6 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Junction 5 Southbound and Junction 6 Northbound Entry Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2009

Made - - - -	*29 December 2009*
Coming into force - -	*4 January 2010*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M53 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of that motorway and on two of those slip roads in Cheshire West and Chester and in the District of Wirral in Merseyside should be prohibited 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 M53 Motorway (Junctions 5-6 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Junction 5 Southbound and Junction 6 Northbound Entry Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2009 and shall come into force on 4 January 2010.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M53 Motorway;

"the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road" means the first point where the slip road joins the carriageway of the motorway;

"the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road" means the last point where the slip road leaves the carriageway of the motorway;

"the first length of carriageway" means the southbound carriageway of the motorway between Junctions 5 and 6 from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 5 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 6;

"the second length of carriageway" means the northbound carriageway of the motorway between Junctions 6 and 5 from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 6 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 5;

(**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 entry slip road leading to the southbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 5;

"the second slip road" means the entry slip road leading to the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 6;

"the works period" means periods over fourteen nights between 2200 hours and 0500 hours during a period starting on Tuesday 5 January 2010 and ending on Tuesday 26 January 2010. However works may start and continue between the same times on subsequent nights, or continue until completed.

"works" means resurfacing and loop reinstatement works on the motorway and slip roads;

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the first and second lengths of carriageway or the first and second slip roads.

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, ambulance services or traffic officers, or to a vehicle being used in connection with the works, or anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a police officer or traffic officer in uniform.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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