STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2010 No. 1463

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M4 Motorway (West of Junction 12) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010

Made - - - -	*17th May 2010*
Coming into force - -	*22nd May 2010*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M4 Motorway, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted on a length of that motorway 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 (West of Junction 12) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2010 and shall come into force on 22nd May 2010.

2. In this Order:

"the motorway" means the M4 Motorway in the District of West Berkshire;

"the Regulations" means the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(**b**);

"the length of carriageway" means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway between points 2500 metres west of the A340 overbridge (Tidmarsh Road) and 300 metres west of that overbridge west of Junction 12 (Theale Interchange – A4);

"a hard shoulder" means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the length of carriageway;

"works" mean the installation of traffic monitoring equipment and all associated work on the motorway; and

"a works period" means a period of 7 hours starting at 2200 hours on Monday 24th May 2010 or on any subsequent day until 21st November 2011.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 4 and 5 below, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the length of carriageway or a hard shoulder.

4. The provisions of article 3 above shall apply only at 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 police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes.

5. During a works period, the provisions of regulations 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Regulations are hereby suspended, in respect of a hard shoulder, at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

(**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, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 2004/3258.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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17th May 2010