STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No. 998

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M5 Motorway (Junction 15) and M4 Motorway (Junction 20) (Almondsbury Interchange Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012

Made - - - -	*22nd March 2012*
Coming into force - -	*30th March 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M5 Motorway ("the M5"), the M4 Motorway ("the M4") and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on some of those connecting roads at Almondsbury Interchange in South Gloucestershire 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 M5 Motorway (Junction 15) and M4 Motorway (Junction 20) (Almondsbury Interchange Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 30th March 2012 and apply for a period of twelve months.

2. In this Order –

"the slip roads" mean (i) the slip road leading from the M5 southbound to the M4 eastbound at Almondsbury Interchange (the 'C' loop) from the tip of the nosing with the M5 southbound to M4 westbound slip road to the tip of the nosing with the M5 northbound to M4 eastbound slip road; (ii) the slip road leading from the M4 eastbound to the M5 southbound at Almondsbury Interchange (the 'J' loop) from the tip of the nosing with the M4 eastbound to M5 northbound slip road to the tip of the nosing with the M4 westbound to M5 southbound slip road; (iii) the slip road leading from the M4 westbound to the M5 northbound at Almondsbury Interchange (the 'K' loop) from the tip of the nosing with the M4 westbound to M5 southbound slip road to the tip of the nosing with the M4 eastbound to M5 northbound slip road; (iv) the slip road leading from the M5 southbound to the M4 westbound at Almondsbury Interchange (the 'H' loop) from the tip of the nosing with the M5 southbound to M4 eastbound slip road to the tip of the nosing with the M5 northbound to M4 westbound slip road;

"tip of the nosing" means the first point where an entry slip road joins the carriageway of a motorway or the last point where an exit slip road leaves the carriageway of a motorway;

"the works" mean litter picking, gully cleaning, sweeping, grass cutting, studs, barrier re-tensioning, road markings and general maintenance;

"a works period" means a period of 8½ hours starting at 21.00 hours on Sunday 1st April 2012 or any subsequent day and ending when the said works have been completed;

(**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.

and a reference to an article followed by a number is a reference to the article in this Order which bears that number.

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the slip roads.

4. The provisions of article 3 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) a vehicle being used for police, traffic officer, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes;

(b) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform;

(c) a vehicle being used in connection with the said works or for winter maintenance purposes.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

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22nd March 2012