STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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ROAD TRAFFIC

The M6 Motorway (Junction 32 Northbound and Southbound) and the M55 (Junction 1 Eastbound and Westbound) Carriageways, Link and Slip Roads (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013

Made - - - -	*7th November 2013*
Coming into force - -	*10th November 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M6 and M55 Motorways, slip and link roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of those motorways and on five of those slip roads and two of those link roads in the District of Preston in the County of Lancashire should be prohibited and 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 (Junction 32 Northbound and Southbound) and the M55 (Junction 1 Eastbound and Westbound) Carriageways, Link and Slip Roads (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 10th November 2013.

2. In this Order:

"the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road" means the last point where the slip road leaves the carriageway of the M55 Motorway;

"the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road" means first point where the slip road joins the carriageway of the M55 Motorway;

"the first length of carriageway" means the southbound carriageway of the M6 Motorway from the last point where the M6 southbound to M55 westbound link road leaves the carriageway to a point 218 metres south of the centreline of the M6 bridge over Fernyhalgh Lane;

"the second length of carriageway" means the eastbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway from a point 87 metres east of the centreline of the B5411 overbridge to the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 1;

(**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 third length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway from the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 1 to the first point where the M55 eastbound link road to the M6 southbound joins the carriageway;

“the fourth length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway and the northbound carriageway of the M6 Motorway from the last point where the M55 eastbound to M6 northbound link road leaves the carriageway to a point 200 metres north of the first point where the M55 eastbound to the M6 northbound link road joins the carriageway;

“the fifth length of carriageway” means the westbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway from a point 170 metres east of the first point where the M6 southbound to M55 westbound link road joins the carriageway to a point 192 metres east of the centreline of the M55 bridge over the West Coast Main Line Railway;

“the sixth length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 1 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 1;

“the seventh length of carriageway” means the westbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway from a point 170 metres east of the first point where the M6 southbound to M55 westbound link road joins the carriageway to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 1;

“the first slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the eastbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway at Junction 1;

“the second slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway at Junction 1;

“the third slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the westbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway at Junction 1;

“the fourth slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the westbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway at Junction 1;

“the fifth slip road” means the entry weave lane leading from the southbound carriageway of the M6 Motorway to the westbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway from a point 44 metres east of where the M55 circulatory carriageway at Junction 1/A6 roundabout meets the M55 westbound exit slip road for a distance of 193 metres;

“the first link road” means the link road leading from the eastbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway to the southbound carriageway of the M6 Motorway;

“the second link road” means the link road leading from the southbound carriageway of the M6 Motorway to the westbound carriageway of the M55 Motorway;

“the works period” means periods overnight between 2000 hours and 0600 hours during a period starting on Monday 11 November 2013 and ending on Sunday 22 December 2013. 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 lighting column replacement, drainage and resurfacing works on the M6 and M55 Motorways;

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the first, second, third, fourth and fifth lengths of carriageway or the first, second, third and fourth slip roads at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 5 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the sixth and seventh lengths of carriageway, the first and second link roads or the fourth and fifth slip roads.

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

And nothing in article 4 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by traffic officers.

6. 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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(**a**) S.I. 2011/935