

**2011 No. 2210**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M65 Motorway (Junctions 1-3 Eastbound Carriageway and Junction 2 Slip Road) and the M61 (Junction 9 Link Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011**

*Made* - - - - *1st September 2011*

*Coming into force* - - *4th September 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport being the traffic authority for the M65 and M61 Motorways and their slip roads and link roads is satisfied that traffic on sections of the M65 Motorway, on one of those slip roads and one of those link roads in the Districts of South Ribble and Chorley 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) & (7) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (a), hereby makes the following Order.

1. This Order may be cited as the M65 Motorway (Junctions 1-3 Eastbound Carriageway and Junction 2 Slip Road) and the M61 (Junction 9 Link Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2011 and shall come into force on the 4th September 2011.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M65 Motorway;

“works” means carriageway reconstruction works on the motorway;

“the first length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 325 metres east of the centreline of Preston Road overbridge to a point 630 metres east of the centreline of Marsh Lane overbridge;

“the second length of carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the motorway from a point 1175 metres east of the centreline of Preston Road overbridge to the centreline of Marsh Lane overbridge;

“the slip road” means the entry slip road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 2;

“the link road” means the dedicated link road leading from the southbound carriageway of the M61 Motorway at Junction 9 to the point where it merges with the eastbound entry slip road leading to the motorway at Junction 2;

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(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

“hardshoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(a);

“the length of hardshoulder” means the hardshoulder adjacent to the second length of carriageway;

“the works period” means five nights between 2100 hours and 0600 hours, Monday to Friday (but continuing on weekend nights, if necessary, ending at 0800 hours on Saturday and 0900 hours on Sunday) during a period starting on Monday 5 September 2011 and ending on Sunday 11 September 2011. 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.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 6 and 7 of this Order no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour in the first length of carriageway, the slip road, or the length of hardshoulder defined in article 2 of this Order.

4. Subject as mentioned in article 6 of this Order no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the second length of carriageway, the slip road or the link road.

5. The provisions of regulations 5 and (in so far as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9 of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982 (a) are suspended in relation to the length of hardshoulder defined in article 2 of this Order at such times and to such extent as may be indicated by traffic signs; and in this article, “hardshoulder” has the meaning given in regulation 3(1)(e) of those regulations.

6. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 of this Order 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 any vehicle being used for emergency purposes by the police, fire and rescue or ambulance services or to any vehicle proceeding at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or traffic officer in uniform.

Nothing in article 4 of this Order shall apply to vehicles being used in connection with the works, or by traffic officers.

7. 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 (b) 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. 1982/1163 amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364.  
(b) S.I. 2011/935.