

2011 No. 2655

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M48 Motorway (Junctions 1 - 2) (Severn Bridge)
(Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) (Number 2) Order 2011**

Made - - - - - *25th October 2011*

Coming into force - - - - - *28th October 2011*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport and the First Secretary of State, being the traffic authority for the M48 Motorway (“the M48”) and connecting roads, are satisfied that traffic on a length of that road and two of those connecting roads in South Gloucestershire, the County of Gloucestershire and Monmouthshire should be prohibited because works are proposed to be executed thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretaries of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby make the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M48 Motorway (Junctions 1 - 2) (Severn Bridge) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) (Number 2) Order 2011 and shall come into force on 28th October 2011.

2. In this Order –

“the M48” means (i) the westbound carriageway of the M48 from the tip of the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 1 (Aust) to the tip of the nosing of the westbound entry slip road at Junction 2 (Newhouse); and (ii) the eastbound carriageway of the M48 from the tip of the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 2 (Newhouse) to the tip of the nosing of the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 1 (Aust);

“the slip roads” mean (i) the westbound entry slip road at M48 Junction 1; and (ii) the eastbound entry slip road at M48 Junction 2;

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

“the works” mean surfacing, inspection and maintenance works;

“a first works period” means a period of 41 hours starting at 06.00 hours on Saturday 29th October 2011 or any subsequent Saturday and ending when the said works have been completed;

“a second works period” means a period of 36 hours starting at 06.00 hours on Saturday 5th November 2011 or any subsequent Saturday and ending when the said works have been completed;

“a third works period” means a period of 12 hours starting at 06.00 hours on Saturday 7th April 2012 or any subsequent Saturday 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.

“a fourth works period” means a period of 36 hours starting at 06.00 hours on Saturday 30th June 2012 or any subsequent Saturday and ending when the said works have been completed; 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 the first works period, the second works period, the third works period or the fourth works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the M48 and 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretaries of State

25th October 2011

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