

2012 No. 176

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M5 Motorway (Junction 18 X and W Loops) (Temporary
Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012**

Made - - - - 20th January 2012

Coming into force - - 28th January 2012

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M5 Motorway (“the M5”) and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic on some of those connecting roads at Junction 18 in the City of Bristol should be restricted and 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 18 X and W Loops) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 28th January 2012.

2. In this Order –

“the link roads” mean (i) the link road (the ‘X’ loop) at M5 Junction 18 from the southeastern edge of the A4 St Brendan’s Roundabout to the tip of the nosing of the link road from the A4 Portway Roundabout; and (ii) the link road (the ‘W’ loop) at M5 Junction 18 from the tip of the nosing of the link road to the A4 Portway Roundabout to the southeastern edge of the A4 St Brendan’s Roundabout;

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

“the works” mean the replacement of steel columns and associated cabling works;

“a first works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 07.30 hours on Monday 30th January 2012 or on any subsequent day and ending when the said works have been completed;

“a second works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 20.00 hours on Monday 30th January 2012 or on any subsequent day and ending when the said works have been completed;

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

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 7, no person shall, during the first works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the link roads.

(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.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6, no person shall, during a second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed on the link roads.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 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, fire and rescue authority or ambulance purposes; or
- (b) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable.

6. The provisions of article 4 shall not apply to a vehicle being used in connection with the said works, for winter maintenance purposes or for traffic officer purposes.

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 when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

20th January 2012

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