

2012 No. 2925

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M20 Motorway and the A20 Trunk Road (Roundhill
Tunnels) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic)
Order 2012**

Made - - - - *12th November 2012*

Coming into force - - *7th December 2012*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M20 Motorway, the A20 Trunk Road and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on a length of that motorway, on a length of that trunk road and on some of those connecting roads 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 M20 Motorway and the A20 Trunk Road (Roundhill Tunnels) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 7th December 2012 and shall apply for a period of 12 months.

2. In this Order:

“the M20” and “the A20” mean, respectively, the M20 Motorway and the A20 Trunk Road near Folkestone in the County of Kent;

“the length of the A20” means the A20 from its junction with the M20 and the A259 at Junction 13 to its junction with the A260 (Canterbury Road) north of Folkestone;

“the eastbound carriageway” means the eastbound carriageway of the M20 from a point 700 metres east of Cheriton Interchange East bridge (at marker post 108.4) to its junction with the road leading to the A259 at Junction 13;

“the westbound carriageway” means the westbound carriageway of the A20 from a point 300 metres east of Flegis Court underbridge (at marker post 112.3) to its junction with the road leading to the A260;

“a first slip road” means –

- (i) the road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the A20 from the A259 at Junction 13, or
- (ii) the road leading to the westbound carriageway of the A20 from the A260;

“a second slip road” means –

- (i) the road leading from the eastbound carriageway of the M20 to the A259 at Junction 13, or
- (ii) the road leading from the westbound carriageway of the A20 to the A260;

(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.

“works” mean routine maintenance work in Roundhill Tunnels; and

“a works period” means a period of 10 hours starting at 2000 hours on Friday 7th December 2012 or on any subsequent day other than a Saturday or Sunday until Friday 6th December 2013.

3. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the length of the A20 or a first slip road.

4. Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the eastbound carriageway, the westbound carriageway or a second slip road.

5. The provisions of articles 3 and 4 above shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

6. Nothing in article 3 above shall apply to -

- (a) a vehicle being used in connection with the said works;
- (b) a vehicle being used for police, ambulance, traffic officer or fire and rescue authority purposes;
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform; or
- (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes;

and nothing in article 4 above shall apply to a vehicle being used for police, ambulance or fire and rescue authority purposes and 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

12th November 2012

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.