

**2012 No. 3251**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M20 Motorway (Junctions 9 - 10) (Temporary Restriction  
and Prohibition of Traffic) (No. 2) Order 2012**

*Made* - - - - - *17th December 2012*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *1st February 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M20 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths of that motorway and prohibited 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 (Junctions 9 - 10) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) (No. 2) Order 2012 and shall come into force on 1st February 2013.

**2.** In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M20 Motorway near Ashford in the County of Kent;

“a first length of motorway” means –

- (i) the Londonbound carriageway of the motorway between Junction 10 (A2070/A20/A292) and Junction 9 (A20 Fougères Way/A251), or
- (ii) the coastbound carriageway of the motorway between Westwell Lane overbridge (at marker post 82/10) northwest of Junction 9 (A20 Fougères Way/A251) and Junction 10 (A2070/A20/A292);

“a second length of motorway” means –

- (i) the Londonbound carriageway of the motorway between Junction 10 (A2070/A20/A292) and Junction 9 (A20 Fougères Way/A251), or
- (ii) the coastbound carriageway of the motorway between Junction 9 (A20 Fougères Way/A251) and 200 metres southeast of the Great Stour river underbridge southeast of Junction 10 (A2070/A20/A292);

“recovery vehicle” has the meaning given in paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 to the Vehicle Excise and Regulation Act 1994(b);

“overall width” has the meaning given in regulation 3(2) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulation 1986(c);

“abnormal load” means a vehicle having an overall width exceeding 3.10 metres;

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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.

(b) 1994 c.22.

(c) S.I. 1986/1078; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

“a slip road” means –

- (i) the road leading to the Londonbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 10 (A2070/A20/A292), or
- (ii) the road leading to the coastbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 9 (A20 Fougères Way/A251);

“works” mean bridge maintenance and all associated work on the motorway;

“a first works period” means a period of 24 hours starting at 0001 hours on Friday 1st February 2013 or on any subsequent day until 31st July 2014;

a second works period” means a period of 8 hours starting at 2130 hours on Friday 1st February 2013 or on any subsequent day until 31st July 2014.

- 3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during –
- (a) a first works period, cause or permit any vehicle with an overall width exceeding 3.10 metres to enter or proceed in a first length of motorway; or
  - (b) a second works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a second length of motorway or a slip road.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 below, no person shall, during a first works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on a first length of motorway.

**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.** (1) Nothing in article 3 above shall apply to -
- (a) a recovery vehicle or 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.

(2) Nothing in article 4 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

17th December 2012

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.