

**2013 No. 2178**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M53 Motorway (Junctions 10-11 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Slip Roads) and M56 (Junction 15 Westbound Link Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>21st August 2013</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>29th August 2013</i>

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M53 and M56 Motorways and their link roads, is satisfied that traffic on sections of those motorways and on one of those link roads in Cheshire West and Chester 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) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984<sup>(a)</sup> hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M53 Motorway (Junctions 10-11 Northbound and Southbound Carriageways and Slip Roads) and M56 (Junction 15 Westbound Link Road) (Temporary Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 29th August 2013.

2. In this Order:

“the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road” means the last point where the slip road leaves the carriageway of the motorway;

“the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road” means the first point where the slip road joins the carriageway of the motorway;

“the first length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the M53 Motorway from a point 193 metres north of the centreline of Ashwood Lane Bridge to a point 330 metres south of the centreline of Thornton Road subway;

“the second length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the M53 Motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 10 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 10;

“the third length of carriageway” means the southbound carriageway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 10 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 10;

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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

“the fourth length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the M53 Motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 11 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 11;

“the link road” means the link road leading from the westbound carriageway of the M56 Motorway at Junction 15 to the M53 northbound from the first point where the link road diverges from the main carriageway to a point 322 metres south of Little Stanney viaduct.

“the works period” means periods overnight between 2200 hours and 0500 hours during a period starting on Friday 30 August 2013 and ending on Monday 14 October 2013. 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;

“works” means maintenance works on the M53 and M56 Motorways;

**3.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5 and 6 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to be driven in the first length of carriageway or the link roads at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in article 5 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed in the second, third and fourth lengths of carriageway.

**5.** The provisions of articles 3 and 4 of this Order 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 vehicle being used for emergency purposes by the police, fire and rescue authority or ambulance services or anything done at the direction, or with the permission, of a constable, or a traffic officer in uniform.

And nothing in article 4 of this Order shall apply to any vehicle being used in connection with the said works or by traffic officers.

**6.** 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<sup>(a)</sup> 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. 2011/935.