

**2013 No. 2383**

**ROAD TRAFFIC**

**The M3 and the M25 Motorways (M3 Junctions 1 - 5)  
(Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013**

*Made* - - - - - *9th September 2013*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *9th September 2013*

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M3 Motorway, the M25 Motorway and connecting roads, is satisfied that traffic should be restricted and prohibited on lengths of the M3 Motorway 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) and 15(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(a), hereby makes the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the M3 and the M25 Motorways (M3 Junctions 1 - 5) (Temporary Restriction and Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2013 and shall come into force on 9th September 2013.

2. In this Order:

“the M3” and “the M25” mean, respectively, the M3 Motorway and the M25 Motorway in the Counties of Hampshire and Surrey;

“the first length of motorway” means both carriageways of the M3 between Fleet Services footway overbridge (at marker post 59/8) west of Junction 4a (A327) near Fleet and Thames Side Road underbridge (at marker post 30/3+50) east of Junction 2 (Thorpe Interchange – M25 Junction 12) near Chertsey;

“the westbound carriageway” and “the eastbound carriageway” mean, respectively, the westbound carriageway and the eastbound carriageway of the first length of motorway;

“the Regulations” means the regulation 16(2) of the Motorways Traffic (England and Wales) Regulations 1982(b);

“a second length of motorway” means –

- (i) both carriageways of the M3 between its junction with the A316 at Junction 1 (A308) and Junction 2 at Thorpe Interchange (M25 Junction 12),
- (ii) both carriageways of the M3 between the ‘off’ and ‘on’ link roads at Junction 2 at Thorpe Interchange (M25 Junction 12),

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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) S.I. 1982/1163; amended by S.I. 1983/374, 1984/1479, 1992/1364, 1995/158, 1996/3053, 2004/3168, 2004/3258 and 2006/594.

- (iii) both carriageways of the M3 between Junction 2 at Thorpe Interchange (M25 Junction 12) and Junction 3 (A322),
- (iv) both carriageways of the M3 between the ‘off’ and ‘on’ slip roads at Junction 3 (A322),
- (v) both carriageways of the M3 between Junction 3 (A322) and Junction 4 (A331),
- (vi) both carriageways of the M3 between the ‘off’ and ‘on’ slip roads at Junction 4 (A331),
- (vii) both carriageways of the M3 between Junction 4 (A331) and Junction 4a (A327),
- (viii) both carriageways of the M3 between the ‘off’ and ‘on’ slip roads at Junction 4a (A327), or
- (ix) both carriageways of the M3 between Junction 4a (A327) and Junction 5 (A287);

“a first link/slip road” means –

- (i) any road leading from the westbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 2 to the anti-clockwise carriageway or the clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 12 at Thorpe Interchange,
- (ii) any road leading from the anti-clockwise carriageway or the clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 12 to the westbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 2 at Thorpe Interchange,
- (iii) any road leading to or from the westbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 3 (A322),
- (iv) any road leading to or from the westbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 4 (A331),
- (v) any road leading to or from the westbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 4a (A327),
- (vi) any road leading to or from the eastbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 4a (A327),
- (vii) any road leading to or from the eastbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 4 (A331),
- (viii) any road leading to or from the eastbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 3 (A322),
- (ix) any road leading from the eastbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 2 to the anti-clockwise carriageway or the clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 12 at Thorpe Interchange, or
- (x) any road leading from the anti-clockwise carriageway or the clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 12 to the eastbound carriageway of the M3 at Junction 2 at Thorpe Interchange;

“a second slip road” means –

- (i) the road leading to the eastbound carriageway of the M3 at Fleet Services, or
- (ii) the road leading from the westbound carriageway of the M3 at Fleet Services;

“specified signs” means –

- (i) signs of the type, colour and size shown in diagram 7103 in Part II of Schedule 12 to the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002(a) which comply with the provisions of regulation 56 of those Regulations, or
- (ii) traffic signs, consisting of temporary vertical safety barriers of a character authorised by the Secretary of State under section 64 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

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(a) S.I. 2002/3113.

“a hard shoulder” means the hard shoulder, within the meaning of regulation 3(1)(e) of the Regulations, which is adjacent to the first length of motorway, a first link/slip road or a second slip road;

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

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

“works” mean managed motorway scheme work on the M3 and the M25;

“the works period” means the period starting on Monday 9th September 2013 and ending on 24th September 2015;

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 articles 5, 6 and 8, no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in a second length of motorway or a first link/slip road.

**4.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5, 8 and 9(a), no person shall, during the works period, drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour on the first length of motorway, a first link/slip road, a second slip road or a hard shoulder.

**5.** The provisions of articles 3, 4, 6 and 7 shall apply only at such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.

**6.** (1) During such times as, pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of the westbound carriageway but is not prohibited in any lane of the eastbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any –

(a) vehicle to enter or proceed in the eastbound carriageway other than in such direction that specified signs are at all times on the right hand or offside of the vehicle; or

(b) vehicle having an overall width exceeding 6 feet 6 inches (2.0 metres) to enter or proceed in the middle lane or the offside lane of the eastbound carriageway.

(2) During such times as, pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes of the eastbound carriageway but is not prohibited in any lane of the westbound carriageway, no person shall cause or permit any –

(a) vehicle to enter or proceed in the westbound carriageway other than in such direction that specified signs are at all times on the right hand or offside of the vehicle; or

(b) vehicle having an overall width exceeding 6 feet 6 inches (2.0 metres) to enter or proceed in the middle lane or the offside lane of the westbound carriageway.

(3) When pursuant to article 5, movement of traffic is prohibited in one or more lanes in a length of one carriageway but is not prohibited in any lane of the corresponding length of the other carriageway, the provisions of this article with respect to the other carriageway shall apply to that length of that carriageway.

**7.** Subject as mentioned in articles 5, 8 and 9(a), no person shall, during the works period, cause or permit any vehicle width an overall width exceeding 6 feet 6 inches (2.0 metres) to enter or proceed in -

(a) any lane other than the nearside lane in a carriageway or length of carriageway, where one or more lanes in that carriageway or length and the hard shoulder adjacent to that carriageway or length are open for use by traffic proceeding in the same direction; or

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

(b) 1994 c.22.

- (b) any lane other than the nearside lane or middle lane of two or more lanes in a carriageway or length of carriageway, where only those lanes are open for use by traffic proceeding in the same direction;

and in this article a reference to a carriageway is a reference to the westbound carriageway or the eastbound carriageway.

**8.** (1) Nothing in articles 3, 6(1)(b), 6(2)(b) or 7 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, fire and rescue authority or traffic officer purposes;
- (c) anything done at the direction of, or with the permission of, a constable or traffic officer in uniform;
- (d) any vehicle being used for winter maintenance purposes; or
- (e) any vehicle being used for the purpose of incident management.

(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 Exemption (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011(a) when used in accordance with regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

**9.** During the works period, the undermentioned provisions of the Regulations are hereby suspended:

- (a) regulations 5 and (insofar as it relates to a vehicle being driven) 9, in respect of a hard shoulder, at such times and to such extent as shall from times to time be indicated by traffic signs; and
- (b) regulation 6(3), in respect of a vehicle being driven westwards in the eastbound carriageway by virtue of article 6(1)(a), or eastwards in the westbound carriageway by virtue of article 6(2)(a).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

9th September 2013

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(a) S.I. 2011/935.