

2015 No. 1031

ROAD TRAFFIC

**The M53 Motorway (Junctions 4-3 Northbound Carriageway
and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>21st January 2015</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>8th February 2015</i>

WHEREAS the Secretary of State for Transport, being the traffic authority for the M53 Motorway and its slip roads, is satisfied that traffic on that motorway and two of those slip roads in the District of Wirral in Merseyside should be 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 M53 Motorway (Junctions 4-3 Northbound Carriageway and Slip Roads) (Temporary Prohibition of Traffic) Order 2015 and shall come into force on 8th February 2015.

2. In this Order:

“the motorway” means the M53 Motorway between Junctions 4-3;

“works” means sign and general maintenance works;

“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 works period” means overnight periods between 2200 hours and 0500 hours (ending at 0700 hours on Saturday and Sunday mornings) during a period starting on Monday 9th February 2015 and ending on Tuesday 31st March 2015. However, work 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;

“the length of carriageway” means the northbound carriageway of the motorway from the tip of the nosing of the exit slip road at Junction 4 to the tip of the nosing of the entry slip road at Junction 3;

(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 first slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 3;

“the second slip road” means the exit slip road leading from the northbound carriageway of the motorway at Junction 4.

3. Subject as mentioned in article 4 of this Order, during the works period, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed in the first length of carriageway or the first and second slip roads.
4. The provision of article 3 of this Order shall apply 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.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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