STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2017 No. 911

ROAD TRAFFIC

The M48 Motorway (Severn Bridge Weight) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2017

Made - - - -	*11th September 2017*
Coming into force - -	*18th September 2017*

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1)(b) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984(**1**), hereby makes the following Order:

In accordance with section 14(1)(b) of that Act, the Secretary of State is satisfied that traffic on the length of road specified in this Order should be restricted because of the likelihood of danger to the public, or of serious damage to the road, which is not attributable to works.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the M48 Motorway (Severn Bridge Weight) (Temporary Restriction of Traffic) Order 2017 and shall come into force on 18th September 2017.

Interpretation

2. In this Order –

"appointed person" has the meaning given in section 23 of the Severn Bridges Act 1992 (**2**);

"operating weight" shall be calculated as provided in section 138 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984;

"the M48" means (1) the westbound carriageway of the M48 Motorway from a point 68 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the westbound exit slip road at Junction 1 (Aust) to a point 145 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the westbound entry slip road at Junction 2 (Newhouse); and, (2) the eastbound carriageway of the M48 Motorway from a point 145 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the eastbound exit slip road at Junction 2 to a point 68 metres east of the tip of the nosing of the eastbound entry slip road at Junction 1.

"the period of danger" means the period starting at 00.01 hours on Monday 18th September 2017 and ending on 17th March 2019 or when the said likelihood of danger has ended;

(**1**) 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.
(**2**) 1992 c.3