

- (a) for "shall prescribe and publish a recruitment code" substitute "shall, after consultation with the Secretary of State, prescribe and publish recruitment principles";
- (b) for "paragraphs (2) and (2A) of article 2" substitute "article 2(2)".
- (5) In article 4(3) for "recruitment code is" substitute "recruitment principles are".
- (6) In article 4A(1)(a) for "identified in article 2(2A) and paragraph 3" substitute "permitted under paragraph 3".
- (7) Schedule 1 is revoked and replaced by a new Schedule 1 as set out in the Schedule to this Order.
- (8) In paragraph 2(c) of Schedule 2 for "advice" substitute "assistance".
- (9) For paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 substitute "The Commissioners may except an appointment from the requirements of article 2(1)(a), either individually or by cases of a class or description, if they are satisfied that the exception is justified by the needs of the Service or is needed to enable the Service to participate in a government employment initiative in which major employers in the United Kingdom (or a part of the United Kingdom) have been asked to participate."

#### Citation, commencement and interpretation

2. —(1) This Order may be cited as The Diplomatic Service (Amendment) Order in Council 2009 and shall come into force on 1st April 2009.
- (2) The Interpretation Act 1978(a) applies for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Judith Simpson

#### SCHEDULE 1

Article 1(7)

#### Scheduled Grades

Diplomatic Service Senior Management Structure 4.  
Diplomatic Service Senior Management Structure 3.  
Diplomatic Service Senior Management Structure 2.  
The Legal Adviser.  
Deputy Legal Adviser.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends The Diplomatic Service Order in Council 1991 so as to:

- require the Civil Service Commissioners to prescribe and publish recruitment principles instead of a recruitment code;
- replace specific exceptions in article 2(2A) and in paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 from the principle set out in article 4(1) with a discretion for the Civil Service Commissioners to specify exceptions, subject to a requirement that an exception must be justified under the criteria set out in paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 as substituted by article 1(7) of this Order;
- replace the grades specified in Schedule 1 to reflect the grades currently in operation; and
- replace the definition of the general function of special advisers ("advice") in paragraph 2(c) of Schedule 2 with "assistance", to conform with the wording of the Civil Service Order in Council 1995.

(a) 1978 C. 30. (768581)

## Duchy of Lancaster

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19 March 2009

The QUEEN has pricked the following names on the Lites to serve as High Sheriffs in their respective counties for the coming year:

Lancashire, Mrs Caroline Susan REYNOLDS, DL, of Carnforth

Greater Manchester, Christian WEWER, Esquire, DL, of Cheadle

Merseyside, David Croft McDONNELL, Esquire, CBE, DL, of Liverpool.

P. R. Clarke, CVO (769201)

## Transport



## Road Traffic Acts

### Highways Agency

#### THE M25 MOTORWAY JUNCTIONS 16 - 20

#### TEMPORARY TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport intends to make an Order on the M25 Motorway, in the Counties of Buckinghamshire and Hertfordshire, under sections 14(1)(a) and (7) and 15(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 because works are proposed to be executed on the road.

The effect of the Order would be—

(a) to authorise the following restrictions on the M25 between a point 800 metres north of Slough Road overbridge (A1087) south of Junction 16 (M40), at marker post 100/5, and Chandler's Lane overbridge near Junction 19 (A41), at marker post 115/8:

- (i) lane closures and the phased partial closure of lengths of both carriageways on this length of the M25; contraflow systems would be in operation on the carriageway that remains wholly open, hard shoulder running would be authorised where this is in use as one lane of the motorway and vehicle width restrictions (over 6 feet 6 inches – 2.0 metres) would be in force in certain lanes, and
- (ii) to impose a temporary mandatory 50mph speed restriction on this length of the M25, including the link/slip roads leading to and from this length of road (the variable speed limits currently in force in the vicinity of Junction 16 would not apply when this speed restriction is in operation); and

(b) to authorise the overnight closure of:

- (i) the clockwise carriageway of the M25 between Junction 16 (M40) and Junction 17 (A412),
- (ii) the anti-clockwise carriageway of the M25 between Junction 17 (A412) and Junction 16 (M40),
- (iii) the clockwise carriageway of the M25 between Junction 17 (A412) and Junction 18 (A404),
- (iv) the anti-clockwise carriageway of the M25 between Junction 18 (A404) and Junction 17 (A412),
- (v) the clockwise carriageway of the M25 between Junction 18 (A404) and Junction 20 (A41),
- (vi) the anti-clockwise carriageway of the M25 between Junction 20 (A41) and Junction 18 (A404),
- (vii) the link road leading from the clockwise carriageway of the M25 to the westbound carriageway of the M40 at Junction 16,
- (viii) the link road leading from the clockwise carriageway of the M25 to the eastbound carriageway of the M40 at Junction 16,
- (ix) the link roads leading from the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the M40 to the clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 16,
- (x) the link roads leading from the anti-clockwise carriageway of the M25 to the eastbound and westbound carriageways of the M40 at Junction 16,
- (xi) the slip roads leading from the clockwise carriageway and to the anti-clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 17 (A412),
- (xii) the slip roads leading from the anti-clockwise carriageway and to the clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 17 (A412),
- (xiii) the slip roads leading from the clockwise carriageway and to the anti-clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 18 (A404),
- (xiv) the slip roads leading from the anti-clockwise carriageway and to the clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 18 (A404), and
- (xv) the slip road leading to the anti-clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 20 (A41) and the link road leading from Hunton Bridge roundabout to the anti-clockwise carriageway of the M25 at Junction 19 (A41).

These measures would be in the interests of road safety to enable contractors to undertake road widening and major maintenance work. It is expected that the work would start on or after 27th April 2009 and last for approximately 2 years; the closures at (b) above would take place at the following times (maximum periods):

Sunday – Friday nights	2200 – 0530 hours
Saturday nights	2100 – 0700 hours

The Order would come into force on 27th April 2009 and continue until 27th April 2011.

During the closures outlined at (b)(i) and (ii) above, clockwise traffic would be diverted east on the M40 to Junction 1, northwest on the A40 and north on the A412 to Junction 17; anti-clockwise traffic would