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Talk No: 56	Title: WORKING ON EXISTING MOTORWAYS & ROADS
Introduction: It is your duty to take care of your health and safety and the health and safety of all other persons who may be affected by your acts or omissions. You must be ALERT at all times and keep a sharp look out, not only for vehicles and plant movements, but also for vehicles which have entered the site in error.	
Discussion points: ▪ All operatives will wear high visibility clothing at all times. ▪ All vehicles will display appropriate "Motorway Contractors" or "Motorway Maintenance" notice at rear of vehicles. ▪ All vehicles must be fitted with Amber flashing beacons on roof or top of vehicles and these will be switched on whilst entering/leaving the works area. ▪ You must obey the instructions of your supervisor. ▪ You must not take part in, or encourage "horse-play" of any kind. ▪ You must not enter the part of the Motorway open to traffic. It is an offence to do so and you could be prosecuted. You may only enter or exit the site at the designated points. ▪ You must not move cones or signs unless it is absolutely essential and you are authorized to do so – always replace them in original position afterwards. ▪ Children and Pets are not allowed on the site under any circumstances. ▪ If you see an accident on the motorway, use the nearest Emergency Telephone on the site to contact the Police. ▪ You must never attempt to assist at any accident on the Motorway, unless the Police ask for your help. The Police will organize the rescue and Emergency Service. Unless you follow Police instructions, you could become a casualty yourself. ▪ When buffer lanes are in use they must be kept clear at all times. Entry is not permitted for vehicles or personnel. In the event of an accident the buffer lane is used as access for emergency vehicles. ▪ When driving on site keep a sharp lookout for any other operations, e.g. excavating, piling, and concreting. Slow down when approaching people working and make sure that they are aware of your presence. ▪ You must only enter and leave site at the authorized points you must not enter or leave the site by any other route. Observe site speed limits. ▪ Take particular care when entering and leaving site where traffic leaves or merges with Motorway traffic. ▪ MOST IMPORTANT – Van and Wagon Drivers do not reverse without the assistance of a banks-man. ▪ Good housekeeping is essential on site. All rubbish and surplus materials should be removed as soon as possible. EVERY ACCIDENT - EVERY TIME - IF IT'S PREDICTABLE IT'S PREVENTABLE!	
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