

Inspect the wear indicator (1) to check for insufficient tread depth.

If the wear indicators are visible, replace the tire immediately as it is no longer safe.

Tire Repair

Refer to *Safety Precautions* on page 70 .

We strongly recommend that you replace, not repair, any tire that is punctured or damaged. As discussed below, a tire that is repaired, either temporarily or permanently, will have lower speed and performance limits than a new or undamaged tire.

A temporary repair can sometimes be made in an emergency situation.

However, since a temporary repair may not hold, you must ride very slowly, preferably without any cargo, and have the tire replaced or permanently repaired as soon as possible.

(For more information on temporary repairs, see *If You Have a Flat Tire*, page 152 .)