

OPERATION

Anti-lock Brake System (ABS) (ST1300A)

This model is also equipped with an Anti-lock Brake System (ABS) designed to help prevent wheel lock up during hard braking on uneven or other poor surfaces while running straight. Although the wheel may not lock up—if you are braking too hard in a turn the motorcycle can still lose traction, causing a loss of control.

In some situations, a motorcycle with ABS may require a longer stopping distance to stop on loose or uneven surfaces than an equivalent motorcycle without ABS.

ABS cannot make up for road conditions, bad judgment, or improper operation of the brakes. It is still your responsibility to ride at reasonable speeds for weather, road surface, and traffic conditions, and to leave a margin of safety.

ABS is self-checking and always on.

ABS may be activated by riding over a sharp drop or rise in the road level. It is important to follow the tyre recommendations (page 44). The ABS computer works by comparing wheel speed. Non-recommended tyres can affect wheel speed and may confuse the ABS computer.

ABS does not function at low speeds (approximately 8 km/h (5 mph) or below).

ABS does not function if the battery is discharged.