

//////////////////////PRE-RIDING INSPECTION////////////////////////////////////

WARNING:

Take care not to let water enter the muffler or the brake system when washing the motorcycle. Water in the muffler may cause poor starting and wet brakes may reduce brake efficiency.

At the start of each riding day, perform a general inspection to be certain the motorcycle is in good, safe operating condition. This inspection will require only a few minutes and can save you much time and expense in the long run. Check the following items and adjust or service if necessary. Refer to the appropriate section of this manual for detailed maintenance instructions.

1. **ENGINE OIL LEVEL**—Measure oil level and add oil if necessary (page 28).
2. **FUEL**—Check fuel level and fill tank if low (page 13).

3. **BRAKES**—Check operation of front and rear brakes. Adjust free play if necessary (pages 48~50).
4. **TIRE PRESSURE**—Check with a tire pressure gauge (page 17).
5. **DRIVE CHAIN**—Check condition of chain and measure chain slack. Adjust if drive chain tension is incorrect. Lubricate if drive chain appears dry. Replace if drive chain is badly worn or damaged (pages 45~47).
6. **THROTTLE**—Check throttle operation in all steering positions. Adjust, if free play is incorrect. Replace or correct cable routing if throttle does not operate freely in all steering positions (page 40).