

Basic Operation & Riding

This section gives basic information on how to begin riding your motorcycle. It includes how to start and stop your engine, how to use the throttle and brakes, and what to do when you're through riding.

For more advanced information — how to make turns, ride on hills, etc., see the *Tips & Practice Guide for the Off-Highway Motorcyclist* booklet that came with your Honda (USA only).

To protect your new engine and enjoy optimum performance and service life, refer to Break-in Guidelines (page 137).

Safe Riding Precautions.....	30
Starting & Stopping the Engine.....	32
Preparation	32
Starting Procedure.....	32
Flooded Engine	34
How to Stop the Engine.....	34
Shifting Gears	35
Braking.....	37
Parking	38
Post-ride Inspection	39