

# Are You Ready to Ride?

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Before you ride your motorcycle for the first time, we strongly recommend that you:

- read this owner's manual
- make sure you understand all the safety messages
- know how to operate all the controls

Before each ride, we also suggest that you make sure you:

- are in good physical and mental condition
- are free of alcohol and drugs
- are wearing an approved motorcycle helmet (with chin strap tightened securely), eye protection, and other protective clothing

## Protective Apparel

For your safety, we strongly recommend that you always wear an approved motorcycle helmet, eye protection, boots, gloves, long pants, and a long-sleeved jersey, shirt, or jacket whenever you ride. Although complete protection is not possible, wearing the proper gear can reduce the chance of injury when you ride. Following are suggestions to help you choose the proper gear.