

# Is Your Motorcycle Ready to Ride?

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Before each ride, it's important to inspect your motorcycle and make sure any problem you find is corrected. A pre-ride inspection is a must because off-road riding can be tough on a motorcycle and you don't want to have a breakdown far from help.

## **WARNING**

Improperly maintaining this motorcycle or failing to correct a problem before riding can cause a crash in which you can be seriously hurt or killed.

Always perform a pre-ride inspection before every ride and correct any problems.

### *Note to Parents:*

*If a youngster will be performing any of the following pre-ride inspection procedures, it's your responsibility to provide careful supervision and make sure they are performed safely.*

## **Pre-ride Inspection**

Check the following items before you get on the motorcycle:

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| <i>Tires</i>             | Use a gauge to check the air pressure. Adjust if needed. Also look for signs of damage or excessive wear (page 98). |
| <i>Spokes &amp; Rims</i> | Make sure the spokes and the rims lock are tight. Also check the rims for damage (page 93).                         |