

is reduced, it is common practice to shift the transmission progressively into the gear appropriate for the speed of the motorcycle. This assures maximum control through better braking effectiveness and better acceleration when necessary.

- 2) For maximum deceleration and braking, close the throttle, apply both the front and rear brakes simultaneously, and as the motorcycle comes to a stop, disengage the clutch. This maneuver requires smooth coordination of the controls.

Both front and rear brakes should be applied equally. Independent use of only the front or rear brake reduces stopping performance.

Excessive brake application may cause either wheel to lock, reducing control of the motorcycle.

**WARNING:** The exhaust pipe and muffler become very hot during operation. Wear clothing which will completely cover the legs while riding, and avoid any contact with unshielded portions of the exhaust system.