

# Tires & Tubes

Make sure the valve stem caps are secure. If necessary, install a new cap.

Always check air pressure when your tires are “cold.” If you check air pressure when your tires are “warm” — even if your motorcycle has only been ridden for a few miles — the readings will be higher. If you let air out of warm tires to match the recommended cold pressures, the tires will be underinflated.

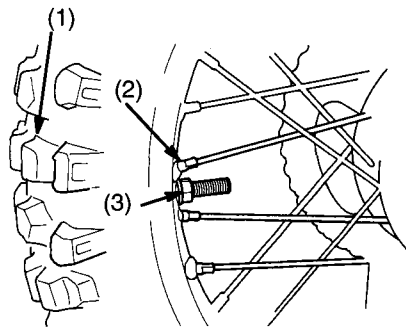
The correct “cold” tire pressures are:

Front	100 kPa (1.0 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> , 15 psi)
Rear	125 kPa (1.25kg/cm <sup>2</sup> , 18 psi)

If you decide to adjust tire pressures for a particular riding condition, make changes a little at a time.

## Inspection

A flat tire or blowout is inconvenient and may even cause an accident. Take time to inspect your tires and wheels before you ride. For more information about handling flat tires, see page 120.



(1) tire tread depth  
(2) spoke nut

(3) rim lock nut