Maintenance Fundamentals

Pre-ride Inspection

To ensure safety, it is your responsibility to perform a pre-ride inspection and make sure that any problem you find is corrected. A pre-ride inspection is a must, not only for safety, but because having a breakdown, or even a flat tire, can be a major inconvenience.

Check the following items before you get on your motorcycle:

- Lights, horn, and turn signals operate normally.
- Check the condition of the drive chain. Adjust slack and lubricate as needed. ► P. 53

Check the following items if you are carrying a passenger or cargo:

- Combined weight is within load limits.
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- Cargo is secured properly.

Suspension is adjusted to suit load.
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Check the following items after you get on your motorcycle:

- Throttle action moves smoothly without binding. ■ P. 83
- Brake lever and pedal operate normally.
- Check the fuel level and refuel when needed.
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- Engine stop switch functions properly.
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Check the following items at regular intervals:

- Oil level is between the upper and lower level marks.

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- Brake fluid level is Front: above the LWR level mark. ₱ P. 72 Rear: between the UPPER and LOWER level marks. ₱ P. 72