

Inspecting the Drive Chain Slack

Check the drive chain slack at several points along the chain. If the slack is not constant at all points, some links may be kinked and binding.

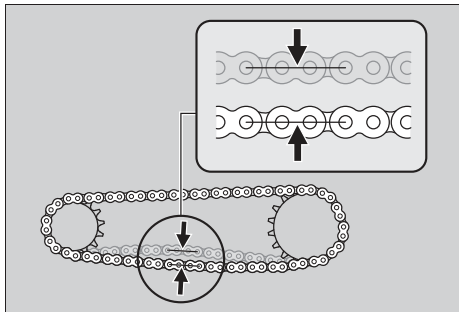
Have the chain inspected by your dealer.

1. Place your motorcycle on the side stand on a level surface.
2. Stop the engine. Place the transmission in Neutral.
3. Check the slack in the lower half of the drive chain midway between the sprockets.

Drive chain slack:

1 3/8 to 1 3/4 in (35 to 45 mm)

- ▶ Do not ride your motorcycle if the slack exceeds 2 3/8 in (60 mm).



4. Roll the motorcycle forward and check that the chain moves smoothly.
5. Inspect the sprockets. [▶ P. 42](#)
6. Clean and lubricate the drive chain. [▶ P. 43](#)