Descending Hills

It is usually advisable to descend hills with the ATC pointed directly downhill, avoiding angles that would cause the vehicle to lean sharply to one side. As you approach the point of descent, stop and survey the terrain below. Never ride headlong past your limit of visibility. When you have picked a safe path of descent, shift the transmission into low gear and descend slowly with the throttle closed. Sit back on the seat, with arms extended and braced on the handlebars.

When descending sand dunes, we recommend that the rider apply the brake intermittently to further reduce forward speed.

Braking effectiveness is, of course, reduced while descending any incline with a loose surface.

