

VEHICLE PREPARATION

Pre-Ride Inspection

Inspect your FOURTRAX every day before you ride it. Checking the items below will take only a few minutes, and in the long run, they can save time, expense, and possibly your life.

1. **Engine oil level.** Check the oil level and add oil if required (pages 100–104). Check for leaks.
2. **Fuel level.** Fill the fuel tank when necessary (pages 88–91). Check for leaks.
3. **Brakes.** Check operation. Make sure there is no brake fluid leakage. If necessary, adjust free play (pages 119–128).
4. **Tyres.** Check condition and pressure (pages 130–132).
5. **Throttle.** Check for smooth opening and closing in all steering positions.
6. **Headlight and headlight dimmer switches.** Check for proper function (page 21).
7. **Engine stop switch.** Check for proper function (page 15).
8. **Driveshaft boots.** Check for damage (page 138).
9. **Nuts, bolts, fasteners.** Check the wheels to see that the axle nuts are tightened. Check the security of all other nuts, bolts and fasteners.
10. **Steering.** Check that the wheels turn properly as you steer the handlebars.
11. **Cargo.** Check that all cargo is properly secured.
12. **Underbody and exhaust system.** Check for, and remove, any dirt, vegetation or other debris that could be a fire hazard or interfere with the proper operation of the vehicle.
13. **Air cleaner housing drain tube.** Check for deposits in the drain tube. If necessary, clean the tube (page 96) and check the air cleaner case.