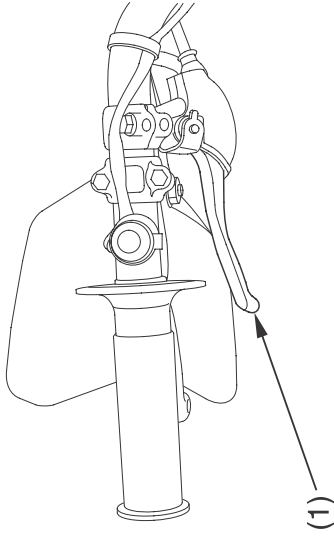


Starting & Stopping the Engine

Starter Decompressor Lever

An automatic engine decompression system is interlocked with the kickstarter to make starting easier, but if you have difficulty starting the engine, you may use the manually-operated starter decompressor lever.



(1) starter decompressor lever

1. With the throttle fully closed, push down lightly on the kickstarter until you feel some resistance.
2. Pull the starter decompressor lever (1) in and push the kickstarter down again slowly about 1/4 to 1/2 of a full stroke.
3. Release the starter decompressor lever and kickstart your motorcycle in the usual manner.

The starter decompressor lever may also be used to help restart the engine while your motorcycle is rolling downhill.

1. Close the throttle. Pull the clutch lever in and shift into 2nd or 3rd gear.
2. With the motorcycle rolling, release the clutch lever. One of two things should happen. The engine will start — or the engine will not start and the rear tire will skid.

