

Is Your Motorcycle Ready to Ride?

Pre-ride Inspection

Check the following items before you get on the motorcycle:

- Tires* Use a gauge to check the air pressure. Adjust if needed. Also look for signs of damage or excessive wear (page 94).
- Spokes & Rims* Make sure the spokes are tight. Also check the rims for damage (page 89).
- Leaks* Look under the motorcycle for signs of leaking fluids (fuel, engine oil).
- Engine Oil* Check the level and add oil if needed (page 61).

- Fuel* Check the level and add fuel (page 57) if needed. Also make sure the fuel fill cap is securely fastened.
- Drive Chain* Check the condition and slack. Adjust and lubricate if needed. Also check the chain slider for wear and replace if needed (page 100).
- Cables* Check the cable housings for wear. Check the fittings for looseness. Replace or tighten as needed.
- Nuts & Bolts* Use a wrench to make sure all accessible nuts, bolts, and fasteners are tight.
- Spark Plug & Cap* Check for looseness (page 77).