

## PRE-RIDING INSPECTION

**WARNING:** *When washing your motorcycle, take care not to wet the brakes or to let water enter the muffler. Water on the brake disk and pad surfaces may affect braking and water in the muffler may cause poor starting.*

Prior to starting your motorcycle, perform a general inspection as a matter of habit to make sure that the motorcycle is in good, safe riding condition. This inspection will only require a few minutes and can save you much time and expense in the long run.

Check the following items and if adjustment or servicing is necessary, refer to the appropriate section in the manual.

- 1. Engine oil level**—add engine oil if the level is below the lower mark on the inspection window (page 40).
- 2. Final drive gear oil** check for leakage.
- 3. Fuel level**—fill fuel tank when necessary (pages 22~23).

- 4. Radiator reserve tank coolant level**—add coolant if the level is below the lower level. (pages 82~83)
- 5. Front and rear brakes**—check the brake lines for leaks, check the brake fluid level. (pages 60~64)
- 6. Tires**—check the air pressure and the tires for wear or damage. (page 26)
- 7. Battery electrolyte**—fill with distilled water if the level is low. (page 77)
- 8. Throttle operation**—check throttle operation in all steering positions. Adjust if free play is incorrect. Replace or correct cable routing if throttle does not operate freely in all steering positions (pages 54~55).
- 9. Turn signal lights, tail/stoplight and headlight**—replace burnt out bulbs (pages 85~88).