

8. For maximum deceleration and braking, close the throttle, apply both the front and rear brakes simultaneously, and prior to the motorcycle coming to a stop, disengage the clutch.

This maneuver requires smooth coordination of the controls and to maintain skill it should be practiced frequently. Independent application of either the front or rear brake is possible, but if only one brake is applied strongly enough to lock the respective wheel, braking effectiveness is greatly reduced and control of the motorcycle is difficult.

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***WARNING: When riding on a wet road or when riding in rainy conditions, braking efficiency is greatly reduced and extra care should be taken when applying brakes, accelerating or turning.***

***WARNING: When descending a long steep grade, downshift and use engine compression together with intermittent applications of both brakes to slow the motorcycle down. Avoid continuous use of the brakes which may result in over-heating and reduction of braking efficiency.***

***CAUTION: Do not coast for a long distance with the engine off, and do not tow the motorcycle a long distance. Even with gears in neutral, the transmission is only properly lubricated when the engine is running. Inadequate lubrication may damage the transmission.***

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