

MAJOR COMPONENTS

(Information you need to operate this motorcycle)

COOLANT

Coolant Recommendation

The owner must properly maintain the coolant to prevent freezing, overheating, and corrosion. Use only high quality ethylene glycol antifreeze containing corrosion protection inhibitors specifically recommended for use in aluminum engines. (SEE ANTIFREEZE CONTAINER LABEL).

CAUTION:

- ***Use only low-mineral drinking water or distilled water as a part of the antifreeze solution. Water that is high in mineral content or salt may be harmful to the aluminum engine.***

The factory provides a 50/50 solution of antifreeze and water in this motorcycle. This coolant solution is recommended for most operating temperatures and provides good corrosion protection. A higher concentration of antifreeze decreases cooling system performance and is recommended only when additional protection against freezing is needed. A concentration of less than 40/60 (40% antifreeze) will not provide proper corrosion protection. During freezing temperatures, check the cooling system frequently and add higher concentrations of antifreeze (up to a maximum of 60% antifreeze) if required.

Inspection

The coolant reserve tank is behind the right side cover (right side cowl for model equipped with CBS/ABS/TCS). Check the coolant level in the reserve tank while the engine is at normal operating temperature. If the coolant is low, remove the right side cover (page 71) or air duct/maintenance cover (page 71) and add coolant to the reserve tank as required to bring the coolant level to the UPPER level mark.

If the reserve tank is empty, or if coolant loss is excessive, check for leaks and see your authorized Honda dealer for repair.

WARNING

- ***Do not remove the radiator cap when the engine is hot. The coolant is under pressure and could scald you.***
- ***Keep hands and clothing away from the cooling fan, as it starts automatically.***