

Maintenance Fundamentals

Pre-ride Inspection

To ensure safety, it is your responsibility to perform a pre-ride inspection and make sure that any problem you find is corrected. A pre-ride inspection is a must, not only for safety, but because having a breakdown, or even a flat tyre, can be a major inconvenience.

Check the following items before you get on your motorcycle:

- Fuel level - Fill fuel tank when necessary. ➔ P. 24
- Throttle - Check for smooth opening and full closing in all steering positions. ➔ P. 69
- Engine oil level - Add engine oil if necessary. Check for leaks. ➔ P. 51
- Drive chain - Check condition and slack, adjust and lubricate if necessary. ➔ P. 62

- Brakes - Check operation; Front and Rear: check shoes wear (➔ P. 59) and freeplay, adjust if necessary. ➔ P. 57
- Lights and horn - Check that lights, indicators and horn function properly.
- Clutch - Check operation; Adjust freeplay if necessary. ➔ P. 66
- Wheels and tyres - Check condition, air pressure and adjust if necessary. ➔ P. 39