

# Taking Care of the Unexpected

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- If the problem is relatively minor and you have the tools, supplies, and skills to make a temporary repair, be sure to have permanent repairs made as soon as possible.
- Do not continue riding if you are hurt or your motorcycle is not in safe riding condition.

Additional recommendations for specific problems follow.

## **If Your Engine Quits or Won't Start**

If the engine wasn't making any unusual noises before it quit running, and it feels normal when you operate the kickstarter, you can probably rule out a major mechanical problem.

The next area to check is the fuel system:

- Make sure there is enough gas in the tank and the fuel valve is at the ON or RESERVE position.
- Check the fuel fill cap vent tube to see if it is pinched or obstructed.
- Turn the fuel valve OFF, disconnect the fuel line that goes from the fuel valve to the carburetor, then momentarily turn the fuel valve ON. If fuel does not flow out, there is an obstruction in the fuel tank or the fuel valve.