Is Your Motorcycle Ready to Ride?

Before each ride, it's important to inspect your motorcycle and make sure any problem you find is corrected. A pre-ride inspection is a must because off-road riding can be tough on a motorcycle and you don't want to have a breakdown far from help.

AWARNING

Improperly maintaining this motorcycle or failing to correct a problem before riding can cause a crash in which you can be seriously hurt or killed.

Always perform a pre-ride inspection before every ride and correct any problems.

Pre-ride Inspection

Check the following items before you get on the motorcycle:

Tires

Use a gauge to check the air pressure. Adjust if needed. Also look for signs of damage or excessive wear (page 101).

Spokes & Make sure the spokes and rim locks are tight. Also check the rims for damage (page 95).

Leaks Look under the motorcycle for signs of leaking fluids (fuel,

engine oil, brake fluid).