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 tire, can be a major inconvenience.

Check the following items before you get on your motorcycle:

- Fuel level-Fill fuel tank when necessary.
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- Throttle-Check for smooth opening and full closing in all steering positions.
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- Engine oil level-Add engine oil if necessary.
 Check for leaks.

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- Drive chain-Check condition and slack, adjust and lubricate if necessary.
- Brakes-Check operation;
 Front and Rear: check brake fluid level and pads wear.

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- Lights and horn-Check that lights, indicators and horn function properly.
- Engine stop switch-Check for proper function. ➡P.20
- Clutch-Check operation;
 Adjust freeplay if necessary.
- Wheels and tires-Check condition, air pressure and adjust if necessary.

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