

2. Check slack in the lower drive chain run midway between the sprockets.

Drive chain slack should be adjusted to allow 25–35 mm (1.0–1.4 in.) vertical movement by hand. Rotate the rear wheel and check drive chain slack as the wheel rotates. Drive chain slack should remain constant as the wheel rotates. If the chain is slack in one section and taut in another, some links are kinked and binding. Binding can frequently be eliminated by lubrication.

3. Inspect the sprocket teeth for wear or damage.

4. If the drive chain or sprockets are excessively worn or damaged, they should be replaced. Never use a new chain with worn sprockets; rapid chain wear will result.