Basic Operation & Riding

This section gives basic riding instructions, including how to start and stop your engine, and how to use the throttle, clutch, and brakes. It also provides important information on riding with a passenger or cargo.

To protect your new engine and enjoy optimum performance and service life, refer to Break-in Guidelines (page 189).

For information about carburetor adjustment and other parts replacement for riding at high altitude, see page 190.

California only:

To protect the catalytic converters in your motorcycle's exhaust system, avoid extended idling and the use of leaded gasoline.

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