- Avoid directing water into the air cleaner, muffler, and electrical parts.
- Thoroughly rinse your motorcycle with plenty of clean water and dry with a soft, clean cloth.
- **4.** After the motorcycle dries, lubricate any moving parts.
  - Make sure that no lubricant spills onto the brakes or tires. Brake discs, pads, drum or shoes contaminated with oil will suffer greatly reduced braking effectiveness and can lead to a crash.
- **5.** Lubricate the drive chain immediately after washing and drying the motorcycle.
- **6.** Apply a coat of wax to prevent corrosion.
  - Avoid products that contain harsh detergents or chemical solvents. These can damage the metal, paint, and plastic on your motorcycle.

    Keep the wax clear of the tires and brakes.
  - If your motorcycle has any matte painted parts, do not apply a coat of wax to the matte painted surface.

## Washing Precautions

Follow these guidelines when washing:

- Do not use high-pressure washers:
  - High-pressure water cleaners can damage moving parts and electrical parts, rendering them inoperable.
  - Water in the air intake can be drawn into the throttle body and/or enter the air cleaner.
- Do not direct water at the muffler:
  - ► Water in the muffler can prevent starting and causes rust in the muffler.
- Dry the brakes:
  - Water adversely affects braking effectiveness. After washing, apply the brakes intermittently at low speed to help dry them.
- Do not direct water under the seat:
  - Water in the under seat compartment can damage your documents and other belongings.