

# Is Your Motorcycle Ready to Ride?

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## Pre-ride Inspection

Check the following items before you get on the motorcycle:

<i>Tires</i>	Use a gauge to check the air pressure. Adjust if needed. Also look for signs of damage or excessive wear (page 101).
<i>Spokes &amp; Rims</i>	Make sure the spokes are tight. Also check the rims for damage (page 96).
<i>Leaks</i>	Look under the motorcycle for signs of leaking fluids (fuel, engine oil).
<i>Engine Oil</i>	Check the level and add oil if needed (page 66).

<i>Fuel</i>	Check the level and add fuel (page 61) if needed. Also make sure the fuel fill cap is securely fastened.
<i>Drive Chain</i>	Check the condition and slack. Adjust and lubricate if needed. Also check the chain slider for wear and replace if needed (page 106).
<i>Cables</i>	Check the cable housings for wear. Check the fittings for looseness. Replace or tighten as needed.
<i>Nuts &amp; Bolts</i>	Use a wrench to make sure all accessible nuts, bolts, and fasteners are tight.
<i>Spark Plug &amp; Cap</i>	Check for looseness (page 82).