

Competitive riding can be tough on a motorcycle, so it's important to inspect your CRF and correct any problems you find before each ride. Check the following items (page numbers are at the right):

## **WARNING**

Improperly maintaining this motorcycle or failing to correct a problem before riding can cause a crash in which you can be seriously hurt or killed.

Always perform a pre-ride inspection before every ride and correct any problems.

## Pre-ride Inspection

Check the following before each ride:

- Engine oil level ..... 65
- Fuel line for condition ..... 44, 54
- Coolant for proper level..... 68
- Cooling system and hoses for condition ..... 69
- Spark plug for proper heat range, carbon fouling and spark plug wire terminal for looseness ..... 81
- Air cleaner for condition and contamination ..... 70
- Clutch lever freeplay..... 76
- Breather drain for cleaning ..... 72
- Steering head bearing and related parts for condition ..... 135
- Throttle operation ..... 73
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- Spokes for looseness ..... 123
- Rim locks for looseness ..... 123
- Front and rear suspension for proper operation ..... 102, 118
- Front and rear brakes, check operation..... 119
- Drive chain for correct slack and adequate lubrication ..... 127, 128
- Drive chain sliders and drive chain rollers for damage or wear ..... 127, 128
- Exhaust pipe/Muffler for looseness ..... 131
- Every possible part for looseness (such as cylinder head bolts, engine mounting bolts/nuts, axle nuts, handlebar holder bolts/nuts, fork bridge pinch bolts, drive chain adjuster lock nuts, drive chain roller bolt/nut, wire harness connectors)..... 176-178
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