

## Load Limits & Guidelines

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Improperly loading your motorcycle can affect its stability and handling. Even if your motorcycle is properly loaded, you should ride at reduced speeds and never exceed 80 mph (130 km/h) when carrying cargo.

Follow these guidelines whenever you carry a passenger or cargo:

- Check that both tires are properly inflated, and that pressure in the rear tire is increased to suit the load (page 121 ).
- If you change your normal load, you may need to adjust the rear suspension (page 111 ).
- To prevent loose items from creating a hazard, make sure that all cargo is tied down securely before you ride.

- Place cargo weight as low and close to the center of your motorcycle as possible.
- Balance cargo weight evenly on both sides.
- Do not attach large or heavy items (such as a sleeping bag or tent) to the handlebar, forks, or fender.