

The hydraulic (front) and mechanically activated drum (rear) braking systems on your motorcycle dissipate the heat generated by the friction of the brake pads on the disc (front) and the brake shoes on the drum (rear) as the wheels are slowed.

### Hydraulic Front Brake

As the brake pads wear, the brake fluid level will drop. A leak in the system will also cause the level to drop.

Frequently inspect the system to ensure there are no fluid leaks. Periodically inspect the brake fluid level and the brake pads for wear.

If the brake lever freeplay does not feel within the normal range while riding, check the brake pads for wear (page 116 ).

Worn pads should be replaced. If the pads are not worn beyond the recommended limit, there is probably air in the brake system. See your dealer to have the air bled from the system.

### Drum Rear Brake

For more information, see page 117.