

# ***SAFE RIDING BEGINS WITH PROPER AIR PRESSURE***



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# FOR THE BEST RIDING EXPERIENCE, CHECK YOUR TIRE PRESSURE OFTEN

## WHY

### **SAVES YOU MONEY**

Properly inflated tires wear longer.

### **RIDING CONFIDENCE**

Improper tire pressure may adversely affect vehicle handling.

### **SAFER OPERATION**

Correct pressure reduces risk of casing damage or failure.

## **CONTACT WITH THE ROAD – THE IMPORTANCE OF PROPER INFLATION**

### Correct pressure:

- Optimal contact patch and grip.
- Comfortable ride.
- Promotes a normal wear pattern and optimum longevity.

### Too much pressure:

- Undersized contact patch and reduced grip.

### Too little pressure:

- Can result in unstable sidewalls, impact vehicle handling, and lead to potential wheel damage.

## WHEN

### **ALL TIRES LOSE AIR**

Even new tires lose air over time, leading to underinflation.

### **CHECK TIRES ONLY WHEN COLD**

- Check before you ride and during long rides.
- A cold tire has NOT been ridden for at least two hours, or more than two miles at slow speed.

### **IF YOU MUST CHECK HOT TIRES**

**Add approximately 5 psi to the recommended cold inflation pressure.**

- Even if your hot inflation pressure is ABOVE the calculated hot inflation pressure, **NEVER** bleed air from a hot tire!
- Bleeding air from a hot tire will result in an under-inflated tire under the given operating conditions, which may result in tire failure and/or serious injury or death.

## HOW

### **RECOMMENDED PRESSURE**

Follow the motorcycle manufacturer's recommendation for COLD tire inflation pressure.

### **TIRE GAUGE**

Use an accurate, trusted pressure gauge, not the gas station air hose.

### **DON'T TRUST YOUR EYES**

It is impossible to determine whether a tire is underinflated simply by looking at it. Use a tire gauge to be sure.