

## **PRE-RIDING INSPECTION** //

Prior to starting your motorcycle, perform a general inspection as a matter of habit to make sure that the motorcycle is in good, safe riding condition. This inspection will only require a few minutes and can save you much time and expense in the long run.

Check the following items and if adjustment or servicing is necessary, refer to the appropriate section in the manual.

1. Engine oil level—add engine oil if the level is below the lower mark on the dipstick (page 34).
2. Fuel level—fill fuel tank when necessary (page 21).
3. Front and rear brakes—adjust free play if incorrect (pages 56–64).
4. Tire pressure—adjust to correct pressure (page 24).
5. Drive chain—check condition of drive chain and measure chain tension. Adjust drive chain if chain tension is incorrect. Lubricate the drive chain if it appears dry. Replace the drive chain if it is badly worn or damaged (pages 53–55).
6. Throttle operation—check throttle operation in all steering positions. Adjust if free play is incorrect. Replace or correct cable routing if throttle does not operate freely in all steering positions (pages 47–48).
7. Turn signal lights, tail/stoplight and headlight—replace blown bulbs (pages 74–76).