

Tyres

To safely operate your motorcycle, the tyres must be the proper type (off-road) and size, in good condition with adequate tread, and correctly inflated.

WARNING

Using tyres that are excessively worn or improperly inflated can cause a crash in which you can be seriously hurt or killed.

Follow all instructions in this owner's manual regarding tyre inflation and maintenance.

Air Pressure

Properly inflated tyres provide the best combination of handling, tread life, and riding comfort. Generally, underinflated tyres wear unevenly, adversely affect handling, and are more likely to fail from being overheated. Underinflated tyres can also cause wheel damage in rocky terrain. Overinflated tyres make your motorcycle ride harshly, are more prone to damage from surface hazards, and wear unevenly.

Make sure the valve stem caps are secure. If necessary, install a new cap.

Always check air pressure when your tyres are "cold." If you check air pressure when your tyres are "warm" – even if your motorcycle has only been ridden for a few miles – the readings will be higher. If you let air out of warm tyres to match the recommended cold pressures, the tyres will be underinflated.

The recommended "cold" tyre pressures are:

	Front	Rear
Cold tyre pressures kPa (kgf/cm ² , psi)	100 (1.0, 15)	100 (1.0, 15)

Inspection

Whenever you check the tyre pressures, you should also examine the tyre treads and sidewalls for wear, damage, and foreign objects:

Look for:

- Bumps or bulges in the side of the tyre or the tread. Replace the tyre if you find any bumps or bulges.
- Cuts, splits or cracks in the tyre. Replace the tyre if you can see fabric or cord.
- Excessive tread wear.

Also, if you hit a pothole or hard object, pull to the side of the road as soon as you safely can and carefully inspect the tyres for damage.