

LOADING AND ACCESSORIES

WARNING

To prevent an accident, use extreme care when adding and riding with accessories and luggage. The addition of accessories and luggage can reduce a motorcycle's stability, performance and safe operating speed. Remember these performances may be reduced by installation of non-Honda accessories, improper loading, poor road or weather conditions, etc.

These general guidelines may help you decide whether or how to equip your motorcycle, and how to load it safely.

Loading

The combined weight of the rider, passenger, luggage and additional accessories must not exceed 170 kg (375 lbs), the vehicle capacity load. Luggage weight alone should not exceed 20 kg (44 lbs).

1. Keep luggage and accessory weight low and close to the center of the motorcycle. Load weight equally on both sides to minimize imbalance. As weight is located farther from the motorcycle's center of gravity, handling is proportionally affected.
2. Adjust tire pressure (TIRES, page 5—7), front fork air pressure and rear shock absorber air pressure (SUSPENSION, page 8) to suit load weight and riding conditions.
3. Luggage racks are for light weight items. Bulky items too far behind the rider can cause wind turbulence that impairs handling.
4. All cargo and accessories must be secure for stable handling. Re-check cargo security and accessory mounts frequently.
5. Do not attach large, heavy items to the handlebars, front forks, or fender. Unstable handling or slow steering response may result.