

RIDING

⚠ WARNING

- * **Review Motorcycle Safety (pages 8—12) before you ride.**

NOTE:

- * Make sure you understand the function of the side stand mechanism. (See MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE on page 52 and explanation for SIDE STAND on page 73.)
1. Warm up the engine.
 2. With the engine idling, squeeze the clutch lever and shift into low (1st) by depressing the gear shift pedal.
 3. Slowly release the clutch lever while gradually increasing speed. Coordination of these two operations will assure a smooth start.
 4. When the motorcycle attains smooth forward motion, slow down the engine, squeeze the clutch lever again and shift into 2nd by raising the shift-pedal. Do the same for the other gears.

5. Coordinate the throttle and brakes for smooth deceleration.
6. Both front and rear brakes should be used at the same time and should not be applied strongly enough to lock the wheel, or braking effectiveness will be reduced and control of the motorcycle be difficult.

