

## **MOTORCYCLE SAFETY**

**WARNING: Motorcycle riding requires special efforts on your part to ensure your safety. Know these requirements before you ride.**

### **SAFE RIDING RULES**

1. Always make a pre-ride inspection (page 24) before you start the engine. You may prevent an accident or equipment damage.
2. Many accidents involve inexperienced riders. Most countries require a special motorcycle riding test or license. Make sure you are qualified before you ride. NEVER lend your motorcycle to an inexperienced rider.
3. Many car/motorcycle accidents happen because the car driver does not "see" the motorcyclist. Make yourself conspicuous to help avoid the accident that is not your fault:
  - \* Wear bright or reflective clothing.
  - \* Don't drive in another motorist's "blind spot".
4. Obey all national, and local laws and regulations.
  - \* Excessive speed is a factor in many accidents. Obey the speed limits, and NEVER travel faster than conditions warrant.
  - \* Signal before you make a turn or lane change. Your size and maneuverability can surprise other motorists.
5. Don't let other motorists surprise you. Use extra caution at intersections, parking entrances and exits and driveways.
6. Keep both hands on the handlebars and both feet on the footrest while riding. A passenger should hold on to the motorcycle or the rider with both hands, and keep both feet on the passenger footrests.