

- Exercise caution on low traction surfaces.
 - ▶ The wheels lock more easily on such surfaces, and braking distances are longer.
- Avoid continuous braking.
 - ▶ Repeated braking can overheat the brakes, reducing their effectiveness.

■ Combined ABS (VT1300CXA only)

Your motorcycle is equipped with a brake system that distributes the braking force between the front and rear brakes.

The distribution of the braking force applied to the front and rear brakes when operating the lever only and when operating the pedal only is different.

For full braking effectiveness, operate both the lever and pedal together.

This model is also equipped with an Anti-lock Brake System (ABS) designed to help prevent the brakes from locking up during hard braking.

- ABS does not reduce braking distance. In certain circumstances, ABS may actually result in a longer stopping distance.
- ABS does not function at speeds below 6 mph (10 km/h).
- The brake lever and pedal may recoil slightly when applying the brakes. This is normal.
- Always use the recommended tires to ensure correct ABS operation.

■ Engine Braking

Engine braking helps slow your motorcycle down when you release the throttle. For further slowing action, downshift to a lower gear. Use engine braking with intermittent use of the brakes to reduce speed when descending long, steep slopes.