

RIDING

Review Motorcycle Safety (pages 1 – 7) before you ride.

Make sure you understand the function of the side stand mechanism. (See MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE on page 113 and explanation for SIDE STAND on page 133).

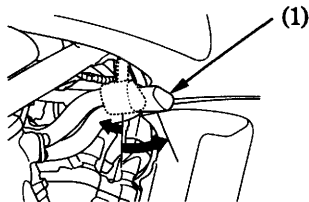
Make sure flammable materials such as dry grass or leaves do not come in contact with the exhaust system when riding, idling, or parking your motorcycle.

1. After the engine has been warmed up, the motorcycle is ready for riding.
Make sure the throttle is closed and the parking brake is locked.

2. Mount the motorcycle from the left side keeping at least one foot on the ground to steady the motorcycle.



3. Unlock the rear wheel by releasing the parking brake lever (1).



(1) Parking brake lever