

## Safety First

### Safe Operating Rules

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#### WARNING

**Motorcycles are different from other vehicles. They operate, steer, handle and brake differently. Unskilled or improper use could result in loss of control, death or serious injury. (00556c)**

- Take a rider training course.
- Read Owner's Manual before riding, adding accessories or servicing.
- Wear a helmet, eye protection and protective clothing.
- Never tow a trailer.

Before operating your new motorcycle it is your responsibility to read and follow the operating and maintenance instructions in this manual, and follow these basic rules for your personal safety.

- Know and respect the rules of the road (see Rules of the Road). Carefully read and familiarize yourself with the motorcycle safety information that is provided by your country or state. In the United States, read the RIDING TIPS booklet that is provided with your Owner's Manual, and read through the MOTORCYCLE HANDBOOK which is made available by your state.
- Before starting engine, check for proper operation of brake, clutch, shifter, throttle controls, correct fuel and oil supply.

#### WARNING

**Harley-Davidson parts and accessories are designed for Harley-Davidson motorcycles. Using non-Harley-Davidson parts or accessories can adversely affect performance, stability or handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00001b)**

- Use only Harley-Davidson approved parts and accessories. Use of certain other manufacturer's performance parts will void your new motorcycle warranty. See your Harley-Davidson dealer for details.

#### WARNING

**Stop the engine when refueling or servicing the fuel system. Do not smoke or allow open flame or sparks near gasoline. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00002a)**

When refueling your motorcycle, the following rules should be observed.

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- Refuel in a well ventilated area with the engine turned off.
- Remove fuel filler cap slowly.
- Do not smoke or allow open flames or sparks when refueling or servicing the fuel system.
- Do not fill fuel tank above the bottom of the filler neck insert.
- Leave air space to allow for fuel expansion.

**⚠ WARNING**

**Do not store motorcycle with gasoline in tank within the home or garage where open flames, pilot lights, sparks or electric motors are present. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00003a)**

**⚠ WARNING**

**Engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, and birth defects or other reproductive harm. (00004f)**

**⚠ WARNING**

**Do not run motorcycle in a closed garage or confined area. Inhaling motorcycle exhaust, which contains poisonous carbon monoxide gas, could result in death or serious injury. (00005a)**

**⚠ WARNING**

**The jiffy stand locks when placed in the full forward (down) position with vehicle weight on it. If the jiffy stand is not in the full forward (down) position with vehicle weight on it, the vehicle can fall over which could result in death or serious injury. (00006a)**

**⚠ WARNING**

**Be sure jiffy stand is fully retracted before riding. If jiffy stand is not fully retracted, it can contact the road surface causing a loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00007a)**

- A new motorcycle must be operated according to the special break-in procedure. See Break-in Riding Rules.
- Operate motorcycle only at moderate speed and out of traffic until you have become thoroughly familiar with its operation and handling characteristics under all conditions.

*NOTE:*

*We recommend that you obtain information and formal training in the correct motorcycle riding technique. In the United States, the Motorcycle Safety Foundation® offers beginning and*

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**⚠ WARNING**

**Travel at speeds appropriate for road and conditions and never travel faster than posted speed limit. Excessive speed can cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00008a)**

- Do not exceed the legal speed limit or drive too fast for existing conditions. Always reduce speed when poor driving conditions exist. High speed increases the influence of any other condition affecting stability and increases the possibility of loss of control.
- Pay strict attention to road surfaces and wind conditions. Any two wheeled vehicle may be subject to upsetting forces such as wind blasts from passing trucks, holes in the pavement, rough road surfaces, rider control error, etc. These forces may influence the handling characteristics of your motorcycle. If this happens, reduce speed and guide the motorcycle with a relaxed grip to a controlled condition. Do not brake abruptly or force the handlebar. This may aggravate an unstable condition.
- Keep cargo weight concentrated close to the motorcycle and as low as possible to minimize the change in the motorcycle's center of gravity. Distribute weight evenly on both sides of the vehicle and do not load bulky items too far behind the rider or add weight to the handlebars or front forks. Do not exceed maximum specified load in each saddlebag.

*NOTE:*

*New riders should gain experience under various conditions while driving at moderate speeds.*

- Operate your motorcycle defensively. Remember, a motorcycle does not afford the same protection as an automobile in an accident. One of the most common accident situations occurs when the driver of the other vehicle fails to see or recognize a motorcycle and turns left into the on-coming motorcyclist. Operate only with headlamp on.
- Wear an approved helmet, clothing, and foot gear suited for motorcycle riding. Bright or light colors are best for greater visibility in traffic, especially at night. Avoid loose, flowing garments and scarves.

**⚠ WARNING**

**Avoid contact with exhaust system and wear protective clothing that completely covers legs while riding. Exhaust pipes and mufflers get very hot when engine is running and remain too hot to touch, even after engine is turned off. Failure to wear protective clothing could result in burns or other serious injury. (00009a)**

- When carrying passengers, it is your responsibility to instruct them on proper riding procedures. (See the RIDING TIPS booklet included in your Harley-Davidson Owner's Kit.)
- Do not allow other individuals, under any circumstances, to operate your motorcycle unless you know they are experienced, licensed riders and are thoroughly familiar with the operation of your particular motorcycle.
- Protect your motorcycle against theft. After parking your motorcycle, lock the steering head and remove the key from the motorcycle. Set security alarm if present.
- Safe motorcycle operation requires alert mental judgment combined with a defensive driving  
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attitude. Do not allow fatigue, alcohol or drugs to endanger your safety or that of others.

- Vehicles equipped with a sound system should have the volume adjusted to a non-distracting level before operating vehicle.
- Maintain your motorcycle in proper operating condition in accordance with Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models. Particularly important to motorcycle stability is proper tire inflation pressure, tread condition, and proper adjustment of wheel bearings and steering head bearings.

#### **⚠ WARNING**

**Do not operate vehicle with forks locked. Locking the forks restricts the vehicle's turning ability, which could result in death or serious injury. (00035a)**

#### **⚠ WARNING**

**Perform the service and maintenance operations as indicated in the regular service interval table. Lack of regular maintenance at the recommended intervals can affect the safe operation of your motorcycle, which could result in death or serious injury. (00010a)**

#### **⚠ WARNING**

**Do not operate motorcycle with loose, worn or damaged steering or suspension systems. Contact a Harley-Davidson dealer for repairs. Loose, worn or damaged steering or suspension components can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00011a)**

#### **⚠ WARNING**

**Regularly inspect shock absorbers and front forks. Replace leaking, damaged or worn parts that can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00012a)**

#### **⚠ WARNING**

**Use Harley-Davidson replacement fasteners. Aftermarket fasteners can adversely affect performance, which could result in death or serious injury. (00013a)**

- See your Harley-Davidson service manual for proper torque values.
- Aftermarket fasteners may not have the specific property requirements to perform properly.

#### **⚠ WARNING**

**Be sure tires are properly inflated, balanced and have**

adequate tread. Inspect your tires regularly and see a Harley-Davidson dealer for replacements. Riding with excessively worn, unbalanced or under-inflated tires can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00014a)

**⚠ WARNING**

Replace punctured or damaged tires. In some cases, small punctures in the tread area may be repaired from within the demounted tire by a Harley-Davidson dealer. Speed should NOT exceed 50 mph (80 km/h) for the first 24 hours after repair, and the repaired tire should NEVER be used over 80 mph (130 km/h). Failure to follow this warning could result in death or serious injury. (00015a)

**⚠ WARNING**

Do not exceed the motorcycle's Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) or Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR). Exceeding these weight ratings can affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00016e)

- GVWR is the sum of the weight of the motorcycle, accessories, and the maximum weight of the rider, passenger and cargo that can be safely carried.
- The GVWR is shown on the information plate, located on the frame steering head or the frame downtube.
- GAWR is the maximum amount of weight that can be safely carried on each axle.

**⚠ WARNING**

Do not tow a disabled motorcycle. Towing can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00017a)

**⚠ WARNING**

Do not pull a trailer with a motorcycle. Pulling a trailer can cause tire overload, reduced braking efficiency and adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00018b)

**⚠ CAUTION**

Direct contact of D.O.T. 4 brake fluid with eyes can cause irritation. Avoid eye contact. In case of eye contact flush with large amounts of water and get medical attention. Swallowing large amounts of D.O.T. 4 brake fluid can cause digestive discomfort. If swallowed, obtain medical attention. Use in well ventilated area. KEEP OUT OF

**⚠ WARNING**

**Batteries, battery posts, terminals and related accessories contain lead and lead compounds, and other chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, and birth defects or other reproductive harm. Wash hands after handling. (00019e)**

**⚠ WARNING**

**Do not open storage compartments while riding. Distractions while riding can lead to loss of control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00082a)**

**⚠ WARNING**

**Consult a Harley-Davidson dealer regarding any questions or problems that occur in the operation of your motorcycle. Failure to do so can aggravate an initial problem, cause costly repairs, cause an accident and could result in death or serious injury. (00020a)**

- Be sure all equipment required by federal, state and local law is installed and in good operating condition.

## **Rules of the Road**

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- Keep to the right side of the road centerline when meeting other vehicles coming in the opposite direction. Ride to left of center of your lane to avoid oily pavement ahead.
- Always sound your horn, actuate your turn signals, and exercise caution when passing other vehicles going in the same direction. Never try to pass another vehicle going in the same direction at street intersections, on curves, or when going up or down a hill.
- At street intersections give the right-of-way to the vehicle on your right. Do not presume you have the right-of-way, as the other driver may not know it is your turn.
- Always signal when preparing to stop, turn or pass.
- All traffic signs, including those used for the control of traffic at intersections, should be obeyed promptly. SLOW DOWN signs near schools and CAUTION signs at railroad crossings should always be observed and your actions governed accordingly.
- When intending to turn to the left, signal at least 100 feet 30.5 meters before reaching the turning point. Move over to the centerline of the street (unless local rules require otherwise), slow down, enter the intersection of the street and then turn carefully to the left.
- Never anticipate a traffic light. When a change is indicated from GO to STOP in the traffic control systems at intersections, slow down and wait for the light to change. Never run through a yellow or red traffic light.
- While turning either right or left, watch for pedestrians, animals, as well as vehicles.
- Do not leave the curb or parking area without signaling. Be sure your way is clear to enter moving traffic. A moving line of traffic always has the right-of-way.
- Be sure your license plate is installed in the position specified by law and is clearly visible at all times. Keep the plate clean.

- Ride at a safe speed that is consistent with the type of highway you are on. Pay strict attention to whether the road is dry, oily, icy or wet.
- Watch for debris such as leaves or loose gravel.
- Weather and traffic conditions on the highway dictate adjusting your speed and driving habits accordingly.

## Accessories and Cargo

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Harley-Davidson Motor Company cannot test and make specific recommendations concerning every accessory or combination of accessories sold. Therefore, the rider must be responsible for safe operation of the motorcycle when installing accessories or carrying additional weight.

### **⚠WARNING**

**See the Accessory and Cargo section in your Owner's Manual. Improper loading of cargo or installation of accessories can affect motorcycle stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00021a)**

### **⚠WARNING**

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- GAWR is the maximum amount of weight that can be safely carried on each axle.
- The GVWR and GAWR are shown on the information plate which is located on the frame down tube in some destinations.

### **⚠WARNING**

**Do not pull a trailer with a motorcycle. Pulling a trailer can cause tire overload, reduced braking efficiency and adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00018b)**

## Accessory and Cargo Guidelines

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The following guidelines should be used when equipping a motorcycle, carrying passengers and/or cargo.

### **⚠WARNING**

**Travel at speeds appropriate for road and conditions and never travel faster than posted speed limit. Excessive**

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**speed can cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00008a)**

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- Pay strict attention to road surfaces and wind conditions. Any two wheeled vehicle may be subject to upsetting forces such as wind blasts from passing trucks, holes in the pavement, rough road surfaces, rider control error, etc. These forces may influence the handling characteristics of your motorcycle. If this happens, reduce speed and guide the motorcycle with a relaxed grip to a controlled condition. Do not brake abruptly or force the handlebar. This may aggravate an unstable condition.
- Keep cargo weight concentrated close to the motorcycle and as low as possible. This minimizes the change in the motorcycle's center of gravity.
- Distribute weight evenly on both sides of the vehicle.
- Do not load bulky items too far behind the rider or add weight to the handlebars or front forks.
- Do not exceed maximum specified load in each saddlebag.
- Luggage racks are designed for lightweight items. Do not overload racks.
- Be sure cargo is secure and will not shift while riding and recheck the cargo periodically. Accessories that change the operator's riding position may increase reaction time and affect handling of the motorcycle.
- Additional electrical equipment may overload the motorcycle's electrical system possibly resulting in electrical system and/or component failure.

**⚠WARNING**

**The front and/or rear guard(s) can provide limited leg and cosmetic vehicle protection under unique circumstances. (Fall over while stopped, very slow speed slide.) It is not made or intended to provide protection from bodily injury in a collision with another vehicle or any other object. (00022a)**

Large surfaces such as fairings, windshields, back rests, and luggage racks can adversely affect handling. Only install genuine Harley-Davidson items designed specifically for your model motorcycle.

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**⚠WARNING**

**Only Touring Harley-Davidson Motorcycles are suitable for sidecar use. Consult a Harley-Davidson dealer. Use of motorcycles other than Touring models with sidecars**



could result in death or serious injury. (00040a)

## Noise Control System

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## Tampering

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Owners are warned that removal or replacement of any noise control system component may be prohibited by law. This prohibition applies prior to vehicle sale or delivery to the ultimate purchaser. Use of a vehicle on which noise control system components have been removed or rendered inoperative may also be prohibited by law.

## Identification

### Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)

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#### General

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See Typical Harley-Davidson VIN: 2011 Sportster Models. A unique 17-digit serial or Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) is assigned to each motorcycle. Refer to Harley-Davidson VIN Breakdown: 2011 Sportster Models.

#### Location

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See VIN Locations: Sportster Models. The full 17-digit VIN is stamped on the right side of the frame near the steering head. In some destinations, a printed VIN label is also attached to the right front downtube.

#### Abbreviated VIN

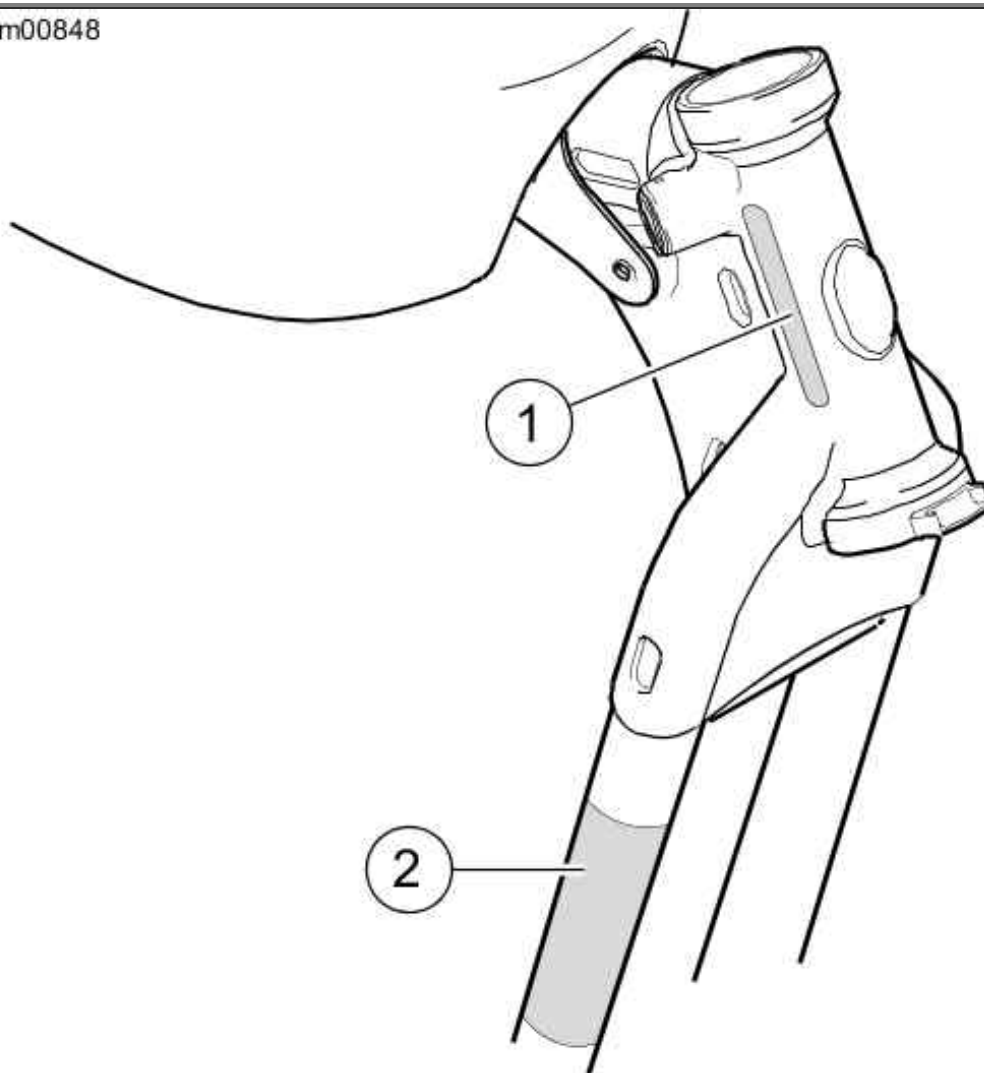
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An abbreviated VIN showing the vehicle model, engine type, model year, and sequential number is stamped on the left side of the crankcase between the engine cylinders.

*NOTE:*

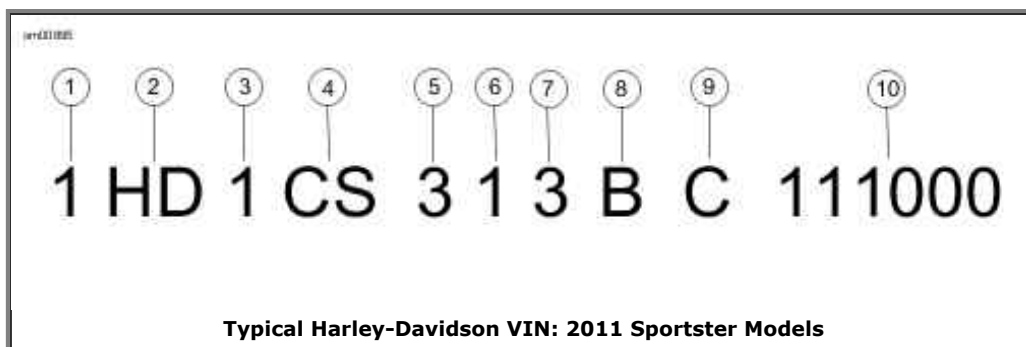
*Always give the full 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number when ordering parts or making any inquiry about your motorcycle.*

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1. Stamped VIN
2. VIN label

**VIN Locations: Sportster Models**



**Typical Harley-Davidson VIN: 2011 Sportster Models**

**Harley-Davidson VIN Breakdown: 2011 Sportster Models**

| POSITION | DESCRIPTION               | POSSIBLE VALUES  |
|----------|---------------------------|--|
| 1        | Market designation        | 1=Originally manufactured for sale <b>within</b> the United States<br><br>5=Originally manufactured for sale <b>outside</b> of the United States |
| 2        | Manufacturer/vehicle type | HD=Harley-Davidson motorcycle  |
| 3        | Motorcycle type           | 1=Heavyweight motorcycle (901 cm <sup>3</sup> or larger)   |

|    |                               |  |   |
|----|-------------------------------|--|---|
|    |                               | 4=Middleweight motorcycle (351 cm <sup>3</sup> to 900 cm <sup>3</sup> )  |   |
| 4  | Model                         | See VIN model table  |   |
| 5  | Engine type                   | 2=Evolution <sup>®</sup> 883 cm <sup>3</sup> air-cooled, fuel-injected<br>3=Evolution <sup>®</sup> 1202 cm <sup>3</sup> air-cooled, fuel-injected<br>6=Evolution <sup>®</sup> 1202 cm <sup>3</sup> precision-cooled, fuel-injected |   |
| 6  | Introduction date/calibration | <b>Normal Introduction</b><br>1=Domestic<br>3=California<br>A=Canada<br>C=HDI<br>E=Japan<br>G=Australia<br>J=Brazil<br>L=Asia Pacific<br>N=India   | <b>Mid-year or Special Introduction</b><br>2, 4=Domestic<br>5, 6=California<br>B=Canada<br>D=HDI<br>F=Japan<br>H=Australia<br>K=Brazil<br>M=Asia Pacific<br>P=India |
| 7  | VIN check digit               | Can be 0-9 or X  |   |
| 8  | Model year                    | B=2011   |   |
| 9  | Assembly plant                | C=Kansas City, MO U.S.A.   |   |
| 10 | Sequential number             | Varies   |   |

#### VIN Model Codes: 2011 Sportster Models

| CODE   | MODEL    | NAME                  | CODE | MODEL     | NAME                     |
|--|----------|-----------------------|------|-----------|--------------------------|
| CR   | XL 883L  | SuperLow <sup>™</sup> | CZ   | XL 1200N  | Nightster <sup>®</sup>   |
| CS   | XL 883R  | 883 Roadster          | LC   | XL 1200X  | Forty-Eight <sup>™</sup> |
| LE   | XL 883N  | Iron 883 <sup>™</sup> | LD   | XR 1200X  | XR1200X <sup>™</sup>     |
| CX   | XL 1200L | 1200 Low              | LH   | XL 1200CP | 1200 Custom              |
| CT   | XL 1200C | 1200 Custom           | -    | -         | -                        |
| Some models may not be available in all markets. |          |                       |      |           |                          |

## Labels

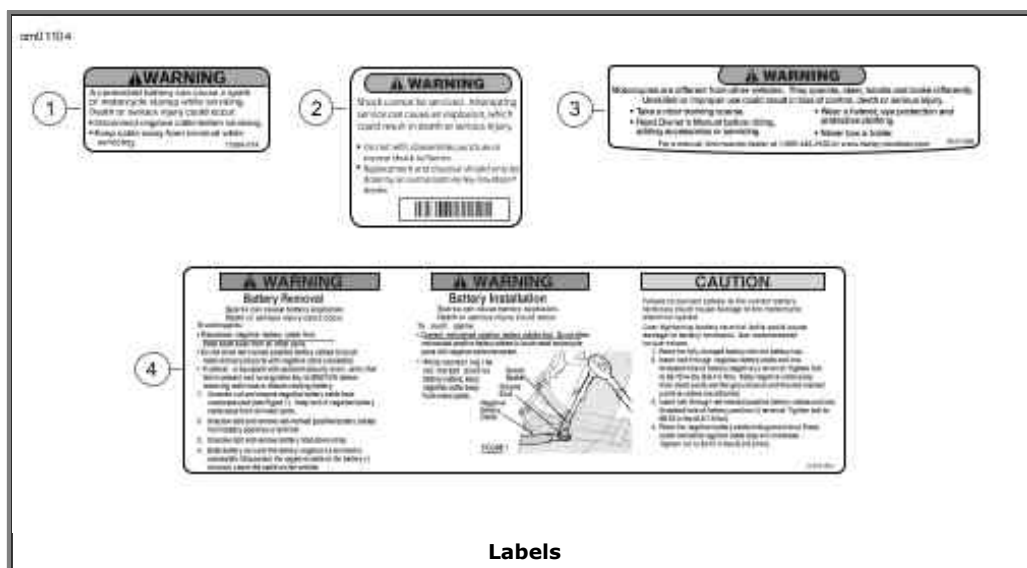
See Labels for safety and maintenance labels which were on the vehicle when new. If removed, replacement labels may be purchased for your motorcycle. Refer to Labels.

NOTE:

Some labels may be available in different languages for destinations outside the United States. See a Harley-Davidson dealer for all labels available for purchase.

## Labels

| LABEL*       | PART NUMBER         | DESCRIPTION   | LOCATION  |
|--------------|---------------------|---|---|
| 1            | 15368-01A           | Battery warning   | Top of belt guard (XR 1200X)<br><br>Left side of swingarm (XL models) |
| 2            | Not sold separately | Shock absorber label (XR 1200X)                         | Rear of shock absorber reservoir                                      |
| 3            | 29147-07            | General warnings (XL 883R, XL 883N, XL 1200N, XL 1200X) | Top of air cleaner cover  |
|              | 29127-95B           | General warnings (other XL models)                      | Top of air cleaner cover  |
|              | 29466-08            | General warnings (XR 1200X)                             | Top of left side cover  |
| 4            | 15376-06A           | Battery removal/installation                            | Inside left side cover  |
| *See Labels. |                     |   |   |



## Labels

## Specifications

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NOTE:

Specifications in this publication may not match those of official certification in some markets due to timing of publication printing, variance in testing methods, and/or vehicle differences. Customers seeking officially recognized regulatory specifications for their vehicle should refer to certification documents and/or contact their respective dealer or distributor.

## Transmission

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| TRANSMISSION | SPECIFICATION             |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| Type         | Constant mesh, foot shift |
| Speeds       | 5 forward                 |

#### Engine

| ITEM                | XL 883 MODELS                          |                     | XL 1200 MODELS        |                      | XR 1200X              |                      |
|---------------------|--|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Number of cylinders | 2                                      |                     |                       |                      |                       |                      |
| Type                | 4-cycle, 45 degree, V-twin, air cooled |                     |                       |                      |                       |                      |
| Compression ratio   | 8.9-1                                  |                     | 9.7-1                 |                      | 10.0-1                |                      |
| Bore                | 3.000 in                               | 76.20 mm            | 3.500 in              | 88.90 mm             | 3.500 in              | 88.90 mm             |
| Stroke              | 3.812 in                               | 96.82 mm            | 3.812 in              | 96.82 mm             | 3.812 in              | 96.82 mm             |
| Displacement        | 53.89 in <sup>3</sup>                  | 883 cm <sup>3</sup> | 73.40 in <sup>3</sup> | 1202 cm <sup>3</sup> | 73.40 in <sup>3</sup> | 1202 cm <sup>3</sup> |

#### Electrical: XL Models

| COMPONENT         | SPECIFICATION  |              |
|-------------------|--|--------------|
| Ignition timing   | Not adjustable   |              |
| Battery           | 12 V, 200 CCA, 12 Ah,<br>sealed and maintenance free                                 |              |
| Charging system   | Single-phase, 30 A system<br>(357 W @ 13.5 V, 2000 rpm,<br>405 W max power @ 13.5 V) |              |
| Spark plug type   | 6R12   |              |
| Spark plug size   | 12 mm  |              |
| Spark plug gap    | 0.038-0.043 in   | 0.97-1.09 mm |
| Spark plug torque | 12-18 ft-lbs   | 16.3-24.4 Nm |

#### Electrical: XR 1200X

| COMPONENT       | SPECIFICATION  |  |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Ignition timing | Not adjustable   |  |
| Battery         | 12 V, 200 CCA, 12 Ah,<br>sealed and maintenance free                                 |  |
| Charging system | Single-phase, 30 A system<br>(357 W @ 13.5 V, 2000 rpm,<br>405 W max power @ 13.5 V) |  |
|                 |  |  |

|                   |                |              |
|-------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Spark plug type   | 10R12X         |              |
| Spark plug size   | 12 mm          |              |
| Spark plug gap    | 0.032-0.038 in | 0.81-0.97 mm |
| Spark plug torque | 12-18 ft-lbs   | 16.3-24.4 Nm |

#### Sprocket Teeth

| DRIVE   | ITEM         | NUMBER OF TEETH |       |                |       |            |       |
|---------|--------------|-----------------|-------|----------------|-------|------------|-------|
|         |              | XL 883 MODELS   |       | XL 1200 MODELS |       | XR 1200X   |       |
|         |              | U.S.            | WORLD | U.S.           | WORLD | U.S./WORLD | JAPAN |
| Primary | Engine       | 34              | 34    | 38             | 38    | 34         | 38    |
|         | Clutch       | 57              | 57    | 57             | 57    | 57         | 57    |
| Final   | Transmission | 29              | 29    | 29             | 30    | 28         | 28    |
|         | Rear wheel   | 68              | 68    | 68             | 68    | 68         | 68    |

#### Overall Gear Ratios

| GEAR | XL 883 MODELS | XL 1200 MODELS |       | XR 1200X   |       |
|------|---------------|----------------|-------|------------|-------|
|      | ALL           | U.S.           | WORLD | U.S./WORLD | JAPAN |
| 1st  | 10.410        | 9.315          | 9.004 | 10.782     | 9.647 |
| 2nd  | 7.436         | 6.653          | 6.432 | 7.702      | 6.891 |
| 3rd  | 5.531         | 4.948          | 4.783 | 5.728      | 5.125 |
| 4th  | 4.584         | 4.102          | 3.965 | 4.748      | 4.248 |
| 5th  | 3.931         | 3.517          | 3.400 | 4.071      | 3.643 |

#### Dimensions: XL 883 Models

| ITEM                                | XL 883R |      | XL 883L |      | XL 883N |      |
|-------------------------------------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|
|                                     | in      | mm   | in      | mm   | in      | mm   |
| Wheel base                          | 60.0    | 1524 | 59.3    | 1506 | 59.8    | 1519 |
| Overall length                      | 90.1    | 2289 | 86.1    | 2187 | 85.8    | 2179 |
| Overall width                       | 32.7    | 831  | 36.6    | 929  | 32.3    | 821  |
| Overall height                      | 44.8    | 1138 | 47.6    | 1209 | 43.6    | 1107 |
| Road clearance                      | 5.6     | 142  | 3.8     | 97   | 3.9     | 99   |
| Saddle height*                      | 27.3    | 693  | 25.5    | 648  | 25.7    | 653  |
| *With 180 lb 81.7 kg rider on seat. |         |      |         |      |         |      |

#### Dimensions: XL 1200 Models and XR 1200X

| ITEM | XL 1200C | XL 1200L | XL 1200N | XL 1200X | XR 1200X |
|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|

|                                     | in   | mm   | in   | mm   | in   | mm   | in   | mm   | in   | mm   |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Wheel base                          | 59.9 | 1521 | 60.1 | 1527 | 59.8 | 1519 | 59.8 | 1519 | 60.0 | 1524 |
| Overall length                      | 87.4 | 2220 | 89.1 | 2263 | 85.8 | 2179 | 88.6 | 2250 | 87.6 | 2225 |
| Overall width                       | 33.1 | 841  | 35.2 | 894  | 36.4 | 925  | 32.7 | 831  | 36.6 | 930  |
| Overall height                      | 44.9 | 1140 | 46.8 | 1189 | 43.6 | 1107 | 42.0 | 1067 | 45.7 | 1161 |
| Road clearance                      | 4.4  | 112  | 4.4  | 112  | 3.9  | 99   | 3.9  | 99   | 5.9  | 150  |
| Saddle height*                      | 26.6 | 676  | 26.3 | 668  | 25.7 | 653  | 26.0 | 660  | 29.2 | 742  |
| *With 180 lb 81.7 kg rider on seat. |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |

NOTE:

Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) (maximum allowable loaded vehicle weight) and corresponding Gross Axle Weight Ratings (GAWR) are listed on a label located on the right side front downtube.

**Weights: XL 883 Models**

| ITEM                             | XL 883L |       | XL 883R |       | XL 883N |       |
|----------------------------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
|                                  | lb      | kg    | lb      | kg    | lb      | kg    |
| Weight (as shipped from factory) | 536     | 243.1 | 568     | 257.6 | 548     | 248.4 |
| GVWR                             | 1000    | 453.6 | 1000    | 453.6 | 1000    | 453.6 |
| GAWR front                       | 339     | 154.0 | 335     | 152.0 | 335     | 152.0 |
| GAWR rear                        | 661     | 300.0 | 665     | 301.6 | 665     | 301.6 |

**Weights: XL 1200 Models and XR 1200X**

| ITEM                                | XL 1200C |       | XL 1200L |       | XL 1200N |       | XL 1200X |       | XR 1200X |       |
|-------------------------------------|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-------|
|                                     | lb       | kg    | lb       | kg    | lb       | kg    | lb       | kg    | lb       | kg    |
| Weight<br>(as shipped from factory) | 553      | 251   | 557      | 252.7 | 545      | 247.2 | 545      | 247.2 | 551      | 249.9 |
| GVWR                                | 1000     | 453.6 | 1000     | 453.6 | 1000     | 453.6 | 1000     | 453.6 | 1000     | 453.6 |
| GAWR, front                         | 335      | 152   | 335      | 152.0 | 335      | 152.0 | 335      | 152.0 | 340      | 154.2 |
| GAWR, rear                          | 665      | 301.6 | 665      | 301.6 | 665      | 301.6 | 665      | 301.6 | 660      | 299.4 |

**Capacities: XL 883 Models**

| ITEM                       | XL 883R |      | XL 883L |      | XL 883N |      |
|----------------------------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|
|                            | U.S.    | L    | U.S.    | L    | U.S.    | L    |
| Fuel tank (total)          | 3.3 gal | 12.5 | 4.5 gal | 17.0 | 3.3 gal | 12.5 |
| Oil tank with filter       | 2.8 qt  | 2.6  | 2.8 qt  | 2.6  | 2.8 qt  | 2.6  |
| Transmission (approximate) | 1.0 qt  | 0.95 | 1.0 qt  | 0.95 | 1.0 qt  | 0.95 |
| Low fuel warning light on  | 0.8 gal | 3.0  | 1.0 gal | 3.8  | 0.8 gal | 3.0  |

**Capacities: XL 1200 Models and XR 1200X**

| ITEM                       | XL 1200C |      | XL 1200L |      | XL 1200N |      | XL 1200X |      | XR 1200X |      |
|----------------------------|----------|------|----------|------|----------|------|----------|------|----------|------|
|                            | U.S.     | L    | U.S.     | L    | U.S.     | L    | U.S.     | L    | U.S.     | L    |
| Fuel tank (total)          | 4.5 gal  | 17.0 | 4.5 gal  | 17.0 | 3.3 gal  | 12.5 | 2.1 gal  | 7.9  | 3.5 gal  | 13.2 |
| Oil tank with filter       | 2.8 qt   | 2.6  | 2.8 qt   | 2.6  | 2.8 qt   | 2.6  | 2.8 qt   | 2.6  | 2.8 qt   | 2.6  |
| Transmission (approximate) | 1.0 qt   | 0.95 | 1.0 qt   | 0.95 | 1.0 qt   | 0.95 | 1.0 qt   | 0.95 | 1.0 qt   | 0.95 |
| Low fuel warning light on  | 1 gal    | 3.8  | 1.0 gal  | 3.8  | 0.8 gal  | 3.0  | 0.65 gal | 2.5  | 0.8 gal  | 3.0  |

**⚠ WARNING**

**Match tires, tubes, rim seals, air valves and caps to the correct wheel rim. Contact a Harley-Davidson dealer. Mismatching can result in damage to the tire bead, allow tire slippage on the rim or cause tire failure, which could result in death or serious injury. (00023b)**

*NOTE:*

*Always match recommended tires. Do not mix approved tire brands.*

**Tires: Early Production**

| MODEL               | MOUNT | DIAMETER<br>(in) | APPROVED TIRE                         | PRESSURE<br>(cold) |     |
|---------------------|-------|------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|-----|
|                     |       |                  |                                       | psi                | kPa |
| XL 883L             | front | 18               | Michelin Scorchers "11"<br>120/70ZR18 | 36                 | 248 |
|                     | rear  | 17               | Michelin Scorchers "11"<br>150/60ZR17 | 42                 | 290 |
| XL 1200X            | front | 16               | Dunlop D402F MT90B16                  | 36                 | 248 |
|                     | rear  | 16               | Dunlop D401 150/80B16                 | 40                 | 276 |
| All other XL models | front | 19               | Dunlop D401F 100/90-19                | 30                 | 207 |
|                     | rear  | 16               | Dunlop D401 150/80B16                 | 40                 | 276 |
| XR 1200X            | front | 18               | Dunlop D209F RP 120/70ZR18            | 36                 | 248 |
|                     | rear  | 17               | Dunlop D209 HD 180/55ZR17             | 42                 | 290 |

**Tires: Late Production**

| MODEL   | MOUNT | DIAMETER | APPROVED TIRE           | PRESSURE<br>(cold) |     |
|---------|-------|----------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----|
|         |       | in       |                         | psi                | kPa |
| XL 883L | front | 18       | Michelin Scorchers "11" | 36                 | 248 |



|                     |       |    |                                       |    |     |
|---------------------|-------|----|---------------------------------------|----|-----|
|                     |       |    | 120/70ZR18                            |    |     |
|                     | rear  | 17 | Michelin Scorchers "11"<br>150/60ZR17 | 42 | 290 |
| XL 1200C/CP/X       | front | 16 | Michelin Scorchers "31" 130/90B16     | 36 | 248 |
|                     | rear  | 16 | Michelin Scorchers "31" 150/80B16     | 40 | 276 |
| All other XL models | front | 19 | Michelin Scorchers "31" 100/90B19     | 30 | 207 |
|                     | rear  | 16 | Michelin Scorchers "31" 150/80B16     | 40 | 276 |
| XR 1200X            | front | 18 | Dunlop D209F RP 120/70ZR18            | 36 | 248 |
|                     | rear  | 17 | Dunlop D209 HD 180/55ZR17             | 42 | 290 |

**Bulb Chart**

| <b>LAMP</b>         | <b>DESCRIPTION<br/>(ALL LAMPS 12 V)</b>                      | <b>BULBS<br/>REQUIRED</b> | <b>CURRENT<br/>DRAW<br/>(AMPERAGE)</b> | <b>HARLEY-<br/>DAVIDSON<br/>PART<br/>NUMBER</b> |
|---------------------|--|---------------------------|--|---|
| Headlamp            | High beam/low beam   | 1                         | 5.0/4.58                               | 68329-03  |
|                     | Position lamp international                                  | 1                         | 0.32                                   | 53436-97  |
| Tail and stop lamps | Tail lamp (except XL 1200C/CP)*                              | 1                         | 0.59                                   | 68167-04  |
|                     | Stop lamp (except XL 1200C/CP)*                              | 1                         | 2.10                                   | 68167-04  |
|                     | Tail lamp international (except XL 1200C/CP)*                | 1                         | 0.59                                   | 68167-04  |
|                     | Stop lamp international (except XL 1200C/CP)*                | 1                         | 2.10                                   | 68167-04  |
| Turn signal lamp    | Front/running  | 2                         | 2.25/0.59                              | 68168-89A                                       |
|                     | Front international  | 2                         | 1.75                                   | 68163-84  |
|                     | Rear (XL models except XL 883N and 1200N/X)                  | 2                         | 2.25                                   | 68572-64B                                       |
|                     | Rear (XL 883N and XL 1200N/X)**                              | 2                         | 2.25                                   | 68168-89A                                       |
|                     | Rear (XL 883N and XL 1200N/X Canada)**                       | 2                         | 2.25                                   | 68572-64B                                       |
|                     | Rear (XR 1200X and international XL models)***               | 2                         | 1.75                                   | 68163-84  |
| Instrument panel    | Illuminated with LEDs. Replace entire assembly upon failure. |                           |  |   |

\* XL 1200C/CP tail and stop lamp is illuminated with LED's Replace entire assembly upon failure.

\*\* Functions as turn signals, tail and stop lamps. This feature may not be found in all destinations.

\*\*\* On some international XL 883N and XL 1200N/X models, this is an LED assembly. Replace entire assembly upon failure.

### WARNING

Match tires, tubes, rim seals, air valves and caps to the correct wheel rim. Contact a Harley-Davidson dealer. Mismatching can result in damage to the tire bead, allow tire slippage on the rim or cause tire failure, which could result in death or serious injury. (00023b)

### WARNING

Use only Harley-Davidson approved tires. See a Harley-Davidson dealer. Using non-approved tires can adversely affect stability, which could result in death or serious injury. (00024a)

Always match recommended tires. Do not mix approved tire brands.

- **Early Production Tires:** Refer to Tires: Early Production.
- **Late Production Tires:** Refer to Tires: Late Production.

Tubeless tires are used on all Harley-Davidson cast and disc wheels. Tubeless tires fitted with the correct size inner tubes may be used on Harley-Davidson laced (wire spoked) wheels. Tire sizes are molded on the tire sidewall. Inner tube sizes are printed on the tube.

### WARNING

Use inner tubes on laced (wire spoked) wheels. Using tubeless tires on laced wheels can cause air leaks, which could result in death or serious injury. (00025a)

### WARNING

Harley-Davidson front and rear tires are not the same. Interchanging front and rear tires can cause tire failure, which could result in death or serious injury. (00026a)

### WARNING

Do not inflate tire beyond maximum pressure as specified on sidewall. Over inflated tires can blow out, which could result in death or serious injury. (00027a)

### WARNING

Harley-Davidson tires are equipped with wear bars that run horizontally across the tread. When wear bars become visible and only 1/32 in. (0.8 mm) tread depth remains,

**replace tire immediately. Using a worn tire can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. Use only Harley-Davidson approved replacement tires. (00090b)**

## Gasoline Blends

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Your motorcycle was designed to get the best performance and efficiency using unleaded gasoline. Most gasoline is blended with alcohol and/or ether to create oxygenated blends. The type and amount of alcohol or ether added to the fuel is important.

### CAUTION

**Do not use gasoline that contains methanol. Doing so can result in fuel system component failure, engine damage and/or equipment malfunction. (00148a)**

- Gasoline containing METHYL TERTIARY BUTYL ETHER (MTBE): Gasoline/MTBE blends are a mixture of gasoline and as much as 15% MTBE. Gasoline/MTBE blends can be used in your motorcycle.
- ETHANOL is a mixture of 10% ethanol (Grain alcohol) and 90% unleaded gasoline. Gasoline/ethanol blends can be used in your motorcycle if the ethanol content does **not** exceed 10%.
- REFORMULATED OR OXYGENATED GASOLINES (RFG): Reformulated gasoline is a term used to describe gasoline blends that are specifically designed to burn cleaner than other types of gasoline, leaving fewer tailpipe emissions. They are also formulated to evaporate less when you are filling your tank. Reformulated gasolines use additives to oxygenate the gas. Your motorcycle will run normally using this type of gas and Harley-Davidson recommends you use it when possible, as an aid to cleaner air in our environment.
- Do not use race gas or octane boosters. Use of these fuels will damage the fuel system.

Some gasoline blends might adversely affect the starting, driveability or fuel efficiency of the motorcycle. If any of these problems are experienced, try a different brand of gasoline or gasoline with a higher octane blend.

## Fuel

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Always use a good quality unleaded gasoline. Octane ratings are usually found on the pump. Refer to Octane Ratings.

### ⚠ WARNING

**Avoid spills. Slowly remove filler cap. Do not fill above bottom of filler neck insert, leaving air space for fuel expansion. Secure filler cap after refueling. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00028a)**

### ⚠ WARNING

**Use care when refueling. Pressurized air in fuel tank can force gasoline to escape through filler tube. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00029a)**

Modern service station pumps dispense a high flow of gasoline into a motorcycle fuel tank making air entrapment and pressurization a possibility.

#### Octane Ratings

| SPECIFICATION       | RATING      |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Pump Octane (R+M)/2 | 91 (95 RON) |

## Catalytic Converters

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Certain international destination model motorcycles are equipped with catalytic converters.

### CAUTION

**Do not operate catalytic converter-equipped vehicle with engine misfire. If you operate the vehicle under this condition, the exhaust will become abnormally hot, which can cause vehicle damage, including emission control loss. (00149c)**

### CAUTION

**Use only unleaded fuel in catalytic converter-equipped motorcycles. Using leaded fuel will damage the emission control system. (00150b)**

## Controls and Indicators

### General: Controls and Indicators

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### ⚠ WARNING

**Read the CONTROLS AND INDICATORS section before riding your motorcycle. Failure to understand the operation of the motorcycle could result in death or serious injury. (00043a)**

Some features explained are unique to certain models. These features may be available as accessories for your Harley-Davidson motorcycle. See a Harley-Davidson dealer for a complete list of accessories that will fit your specific motorcycle.

## Ignition Switch

## **⚠ WARNING**

**The automatic-on headlamp feature provides increased visibility of the rider to other motorists. Be sure headlamp is on at all times. Poor visibility of rider to other motorists can result in death or serious injury. (00030b)**

See Ignition/Headlamp Key Switch: Sportster Models. The ignition switch controls electrical functions of the motorcycle. The switch is located on the right side of the steering head. Refer to Ignition Switch for switch functions.

Turn the key to the OFF position and remove key when the motorcycle is not in operation. The key may also be removed in the ACC position.

### *NOTES:*

- *Write the ignition key number in the space provided at the front of this manual.*
- *The lamps work when the switch is in the IGNITION position, as required by law in some localities.*

## **CAUTION**

**Protect your vehicle against theft. Failure to lock the motorcycle after parking could result in theft and/or equipment damage. (00151b)**

## **⚠ WARNING**

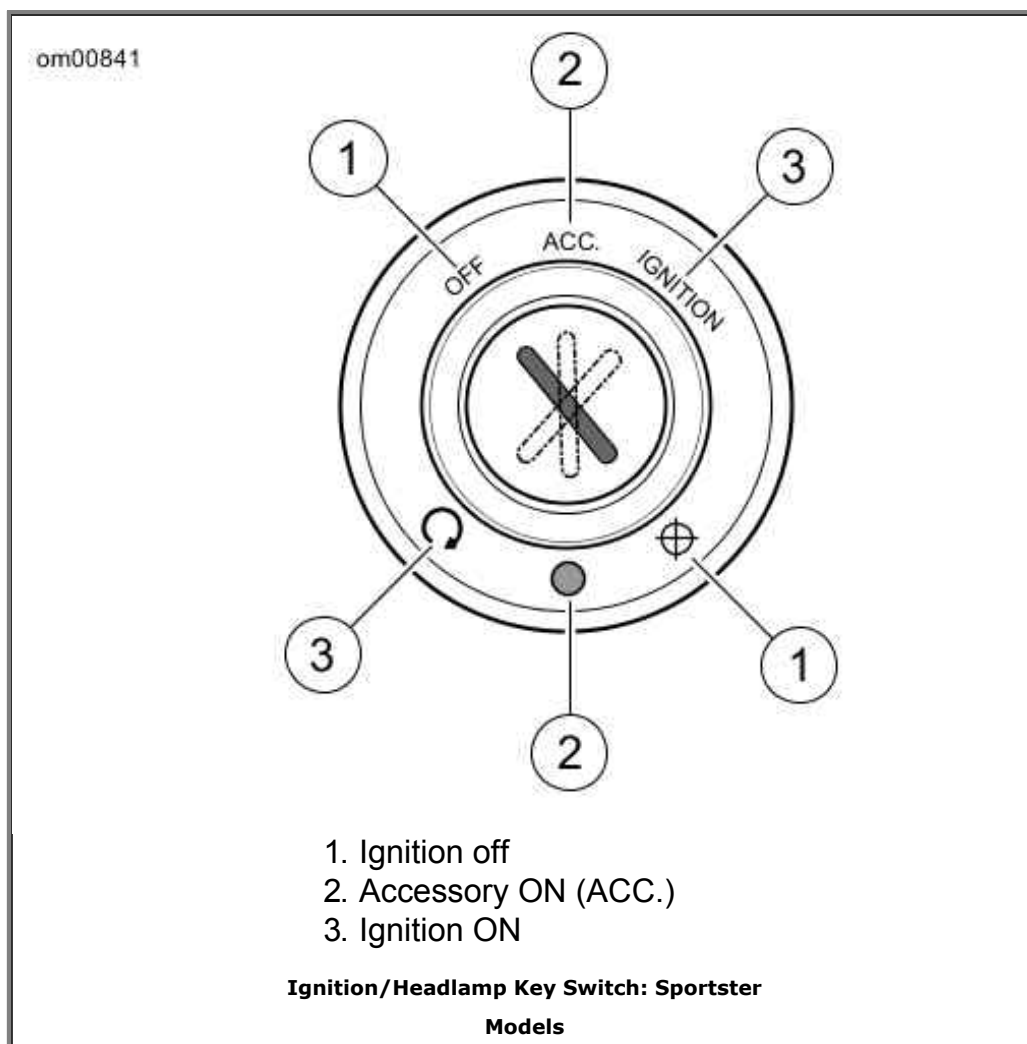
**Do not operate vehicle with forks locked. Locking the forks restricts the vehicle's turning ability, which could result in death or serious injury. (00035a)**

## **CAUTION**

**Do not lubricate barrel locks with petroleum based lubricants or graphite. Inoperative locks may result. (00152a)**

## **CAUTION**

**Turn the ignition switch to the OFF position before locking the motorcycle. Leaving the switch in the ACC position will keep the instrument lights on and result in a discharged battery. (00492b)**



**Ignition Switch**

| SWITCH POSITION  | FUNCTION   |
|--|--|
| OFF  | Ignition and lamps are off. Key may be removed.                                    |
| ACC*   | Instrument lamps are on. Brake lamp and horn can be activated. Key may be removed. |
| IGN  | Ignition and lamps are on.   |
| *International models have an additional function - position lamp and tail lamp are also on. |  |

## Hand Controls: Basic Operation

### Electric Starter Switch

NOTE:

*Off/run switch MUST be in RUN position to operate engine.*

See Handlebar Controls. The electric starter switch is located on the right handlebar control group. See Starting the Engine for detailed operation procedures.

1. Put the engine off/run switch in the RUN position and the transmission in neutral. Neutral

(green) indicator lamp should be illuminated.

2. See Ignition/Headlamp Key Switch: Sportster Models. Turn ignition/headlamp key switch to IGNITION and push the START switch to operate starter motor.

## Engine OFF/RUN Switch

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See Handlebar Controls. The engine off/run switch (7) turns the ignition power ON or OFF. The engine off/run switch is located on the right handlebar control. Push the top portion of the engine off/run switch to turn off ignition power and shut the engine off. Push the bottom portion of the engine off/run switch to turn on ignition power.

### NOTES:

- *The engine off/run switch must be in the RUN position to start or operate the engine.*
  - *The engine off/run switch should be used to shut the engine off.*
1. To shut the engine off, push the top of the off/run switch to the OFF position.
  2. See Ignition/Headlamp Key Switch: Sportster Models. Turn the ignition key to the OFF position to turn the ignition power completely OFF.

## Throttle Control Grip

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See Handlebar Controls. The throttle control grip (9) is located on the right handlebar control and is operated with the right hand.

To reduce rider fatigue on long trips, a spring-loaded throttle friction adjustment screw (10) is located at the bottom of the throttle grip clamp on non-cruise equipped models.

1. Slowly turn throttle control grip clockwise (toward the front of the motorcycle) to close the throttle (decelerate).
2. Slowly turn throttle control grip counterclockwise (toward rear of motorcycle) to open the throttle (accelerate).

### WARNING

**Do not tighten throttle friction adjustment screw to the point where the engine will not return to idle automatically. Over-tightening can lead to loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00031b)**

3. Loosen the throttle friction adjustment screw so the throttle returns to the idle position when the hand is removed from the grip.
4. Screw the throttle adjustment screw in to increase friction on grip. This provides a damping effect on throttle motion.

### NOTE:

*The throttle friction adjustment screw should not be used under normal stop and go operating conditions.*

## Clutch Hand Lever

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### **⚠WARNING**

**Do not position fingers between hand control lever and handlebar grip. Improper hand positioning can impair control lever operation and cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00032a)**

See Handlebar Controls. The clutch hand lever (1) is located on the left handlebar and is operated with the fingers of the left hand.

1. Slowly pull clutch hand lever in against handlebar grip to fully disengage clutch.
2. Shift to first gear using the gear shifter lever. See Gear Shift Lever.
3. Slowly release the clutch hand lever to engage clutch.

A clutch switch is incorporated into the left handlebar switch assembly. It enables the rider to start the vehicle in any gear (or in neutral) as long as the clutch lever is pulled in. If the clutch is not disengaged and the vehicle is in gear, the vehicle will not start.

## Horn Switch

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See Handlebar Controls. The horn is operated by pushing on the horn switch (2) located on the left handlebar control.

## Headlamp Dimmer Switch

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See Handlebar Controls. The headlamp dimmer switch (3) is located on the left handlebar. The switch has two positions to activate the headlamps high or low beams.

- Press the top of the headlamp dimmer beam switch to activate the high beam.
- Press the bottom of the headlamp dimmer switch to return to the low beam.

See Indicator Lamps (Typical). The (blue) high beam indicator lamp will illuminate when the high beam is on.

## Turn Signal Switches

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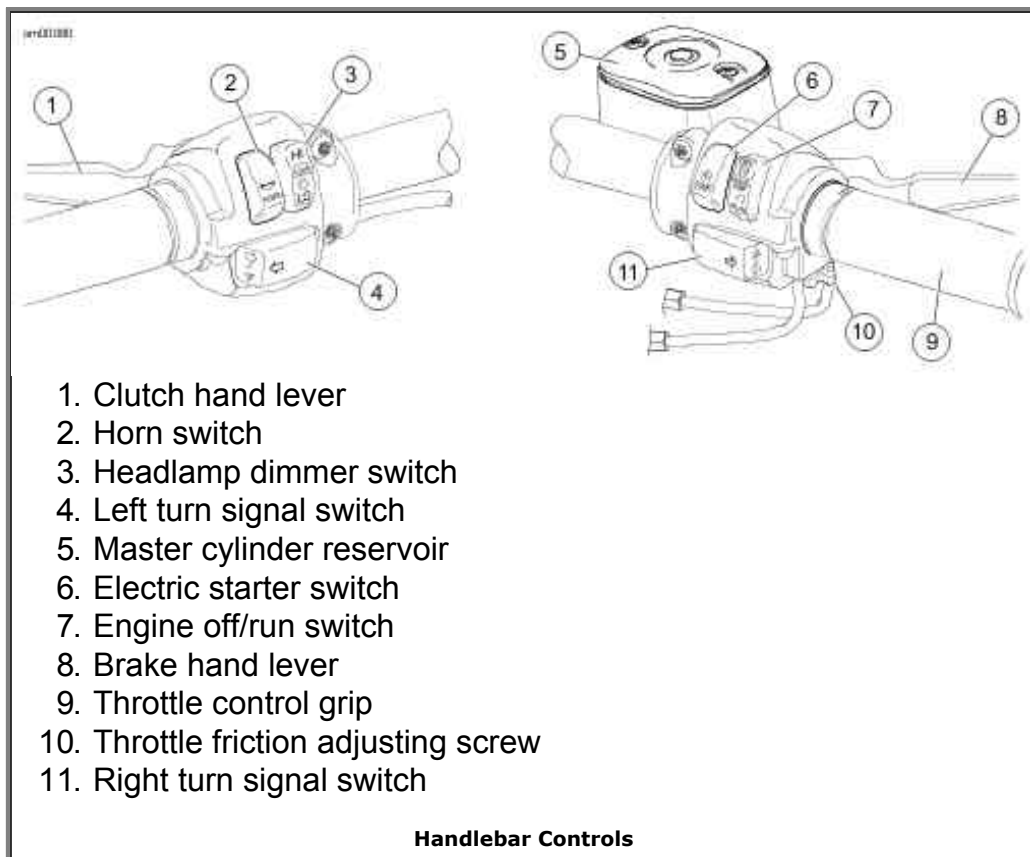
See Handlebar Controls. Each handlebar control group contains a turn signal switch.

- The right turn signal switch (11) operates the right front and right rear flashing lamps.
- The left turn signal switch (4) operates the left front and left rear flashing lamps.

*NOTE:*

*Front turn signal lamps also function as running lamps. Due to local regulations, this feature may not be available in all locations.*





## Turn Signal Switch Operation

The turn signal switches are used by the turn signal module to control turn signal operation based on vehicle speed, vehicle acceleration and turn completion.

Momentarily press the desired turn signal switch. The turn signal lamps will begin and continue flashing until they are manually or automatically cancelled. As long as the motorcycle is stationary, the signals will flash.

### NOTES:

- If you are signaling to turn in one direction and you press the switch for the opposite turn signal, the first signal is cancelled and the opposite side begins flashing.
- If you want to stop the lamps from flashing, briefly press the turn signal switch a second time. The turn signal lamps will stop flashing.
- If a turn signal indicator is flashing at a high rate, a turn signal bulb is not operating. Exercise caution and use hand signals. Replace defective bulbs immediately.

## Hazard Warning 4-Way Flasher

Use the following method to activate the four-way flashers.

1. With the ignition key ON and security system disarmed (if equipped), press the left and right turn signal switches at the same time.
2. Turn the ignition key OFF and arm the security system if present and desired. The four-way flashers will continue for two hours.
3. To cancel four-way flashing, disarm the security system if necessary, turn the ignition key ON and press the left and right turn signal switches at the same time.

This system allows a stranded vehicle to be left in the four-way flashing mode and secured until  
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help is found.

## Instruments

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### Speedometer

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#### **⚠WARNING**

**Travel at speeds appropriate for road and conditions and never travel faster than posted speed limit. Excessive speed can cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00008a)**

- **XL Models:** See Instruments: XL Models.
- **XR 1200X:** See Instruments: XR 1200X.

The speedometer registers miles per hour (U.S. models) or kilometers per hour (international models) of forward speed. The speedometer also provides the following selectable functions:

- Odometer
- Trip odometers A and B
- 12 or 24 hour clock

The speedometer has a single display window for the above functions.

1. See Function Switch (typical). Pressing the function switch (on back of speedometer) with the ignition switch in any position will activate the odometer reading and time. Time and mileage or kilometers may be checked without unlocking ignition switch. Press and release function switch (on back of speedometer) once to view odometer. Press and release button again to display time.
2. To check mileage on trip odometers, the ignition switch must be in the ACC or IGNITION position. Press and release the function switch (on back of speedometer) until the desired trip odometer reading is displayed. An A or B in the upper left of the display window identifies trip odometers.
3. To reset or zero trip odometers, have desired (A or B) odometer in display window. Press function switch (on back of speedometer) and hold button for 2-3 seconds. The trip odometer will be reset to zero.
4. Repeat the previous step if you wish to zero both trip odometers.

### Setting Clock

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1. Turn the ignition switch to ACC or IGNITION.
2. See Function Switch (typical). Press and release function switch (on back of speedometer) until time (hour and minutes) is displayed. Press and hold the function switch for five seconds or until 12HR begins to blink in the speedometer display window. Release the button.

3. Press and release the function switch (on back of speedometer) once to advance to a blinking 24HR military style time display. Each time you press and release the button, the display will switch between 12HR and 24HR.
4. When the desired time style is displayed, press and hold the function switch (on back of speedometer) for five seconds. The display will switch to the time display with the hours blinking.
5. Press and release the button repeatedly to advance the hours. Each time you press and release the button, the display will advance one hour.

*NOTE:*

*No AM or PM time setting is required. When the correct hour is reached, press and hold function switch to advance to minute setting.*

6. When the correct hour is displayed, press and hold the button for five seconds. The minutes display will start blinking.
7. Press and release the button repeatedly to advance the minutes display. Each time you press and release the button, the display will advance one minute.
8. When the correct minutes are displayed, press and hold the button for five seconds. The minutes display will stop blinking, indicating that the clock has been set.
9. Turn the ignition switch OFF.

## Tachometer

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### CAUTION

**See OPERATING RECOMMENDATIONS section. Do not operate the engine above maximum safe RPM as shown under OPERATION (red zone on tachometer). Lower the RPM by upshifting to a higher gear or reducing the amount of throttle. Failure to lower RPM may cause equipment damage. (00159a)**

The tachometer (if applicable) registers the engine speed in revolutions per minute (RPM).

## Tip Indicator Lamp

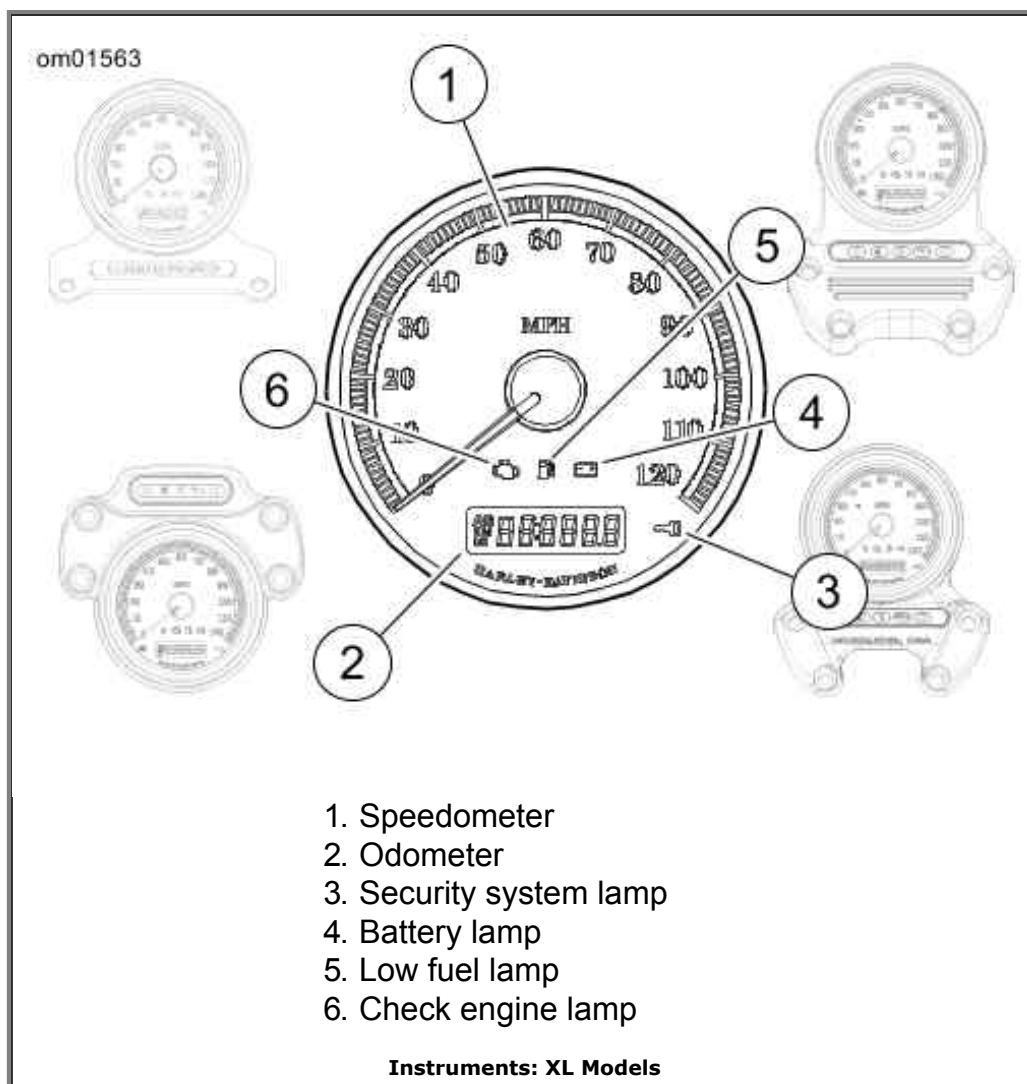
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### ⚠ WARNING

**If tip occurs, check all controls for proper operation. Restricted control movement can adversely affect the performance of the brakes, clutch or ability to shift, which could result in loss of vehicle control and death or serious injury. (00350a)**

Should motorcycle be tipped over, the word "tip" will appear in the odometer window. Engine will not start until reset. To reset, cycle ignition/headlamp key switch ON-OFF-ON.

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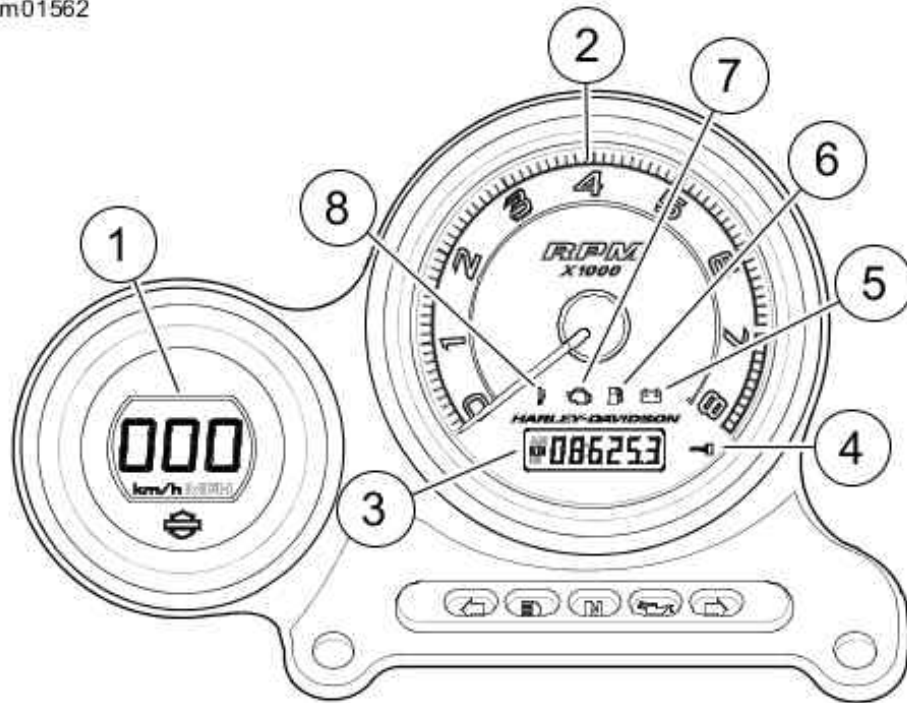


## Selecting Instrument Units: XR 1200X

On XR 1200X, units displayed in the instruments can be selected between miles and kilometers.

1. Turn the ignition switch to the ACC or ON position.
2. Press the function button to select the odometer display screen.
3. Press and hold the function button until the units change (miles/kilometers).
4. To change the units again, release function button, then press and hold until units change again.

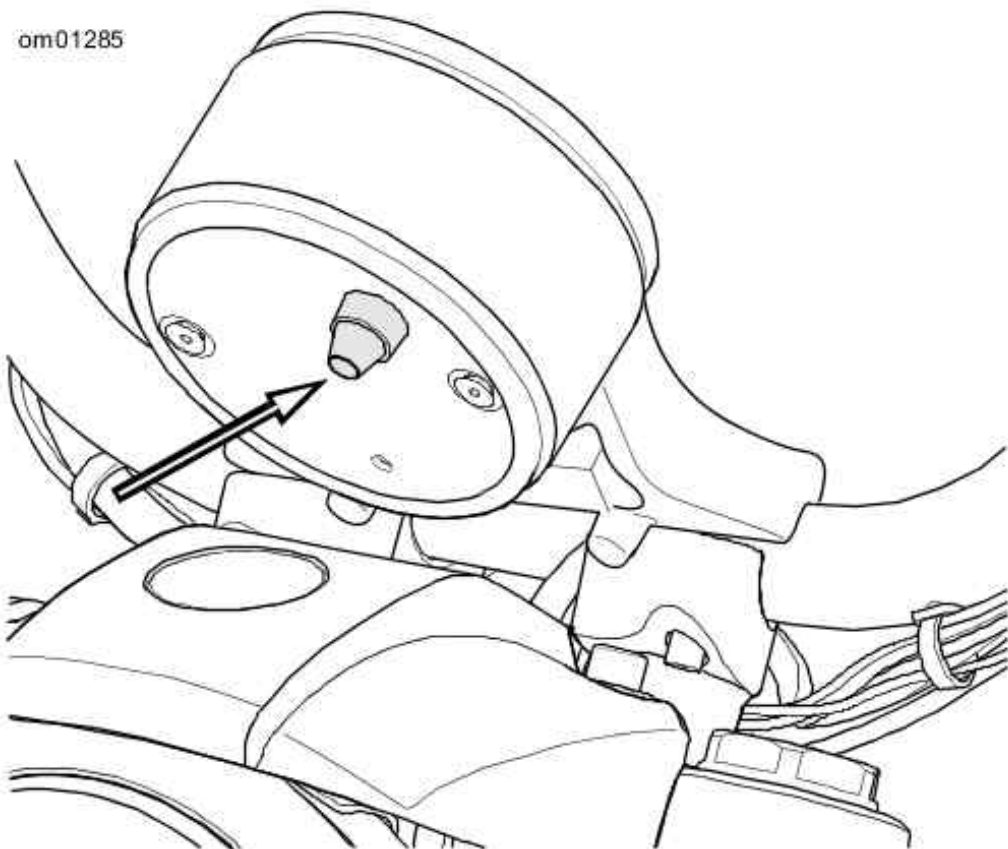
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1. Speedometer
2. Tachometer
3. Odometer
4. Security system lamp
5. Battery lamp
6. Low fuel lamp
7. Check engine lamp
8. Temperature lamp

**Instruments: XR 1200X**

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**Function Switch (typical)**

## Instrument Lamps

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- **XL Models:** See Instruments: XL Models.
- **XR 1200X:** See Instruments: XR 1200X.

Warning lamps are located on the instrument face.

## Engine Check Lamp

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The engine check lamp indicates whether the engine/engine management system is operating normally. The engine lamp color is amber.

The engine lamp normally comes on when the ignition is first turned on and remains on for approximately 4 seconds, as the engine management system runs a series of self-diagnostics.

If the engine lamp comes on at any other time, see a Harley-Davidson dealer.

## Low Fuel Lamp

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Refer to Capacities: XL 883 Models. The low fuel lamp indicates when fuel falls below the reserve level in the fuel tank. The low fuel lamp color is amber.

The low fuel lamp will not turn off until there is sufficient fuel in the tank, the ignition switch has been turned off and back on, and the vehicle has begun forward speed. If the low fuel lamp remains lit with sufficient fuel in the tank, there may be an issue with the fuel sender. See a Harley-Davidson dealer.

## Battery Lamp

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The red battery charging lamp indicates either overcharging or undercharging of the battery. Refer to Battery: General.

## Security System Lamp

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The red security system lamp indicates when the security system is armed. Refer to Harley-Davidson Smart Security System.

If the lamp remains lit longer than four seconds, the security module may need to be serviced. See a Harley-Davidson dealer.

## Temperature Lamp: XR 1200X

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The red temperature lamp indicates extreme high temperatures. Stop the engine immediately and allow the engine to cool down. See a Harley-Davidson dealer if the condition persists.

## Indicator Lamps

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See Indicator Lamps (Typical). Five indicator lamps are provided.

- The left and right green TURN indicators, located on the ends of the indicator bar, flash when a turn signal is activated. When the 4-way hazard flashers are operating, both turn indicators will flash simultaneously.
- The blue BEAM indicator lamp, when lit, signals high beam headlamp operation.
- The green NEUTRAL lamp, when lit, signals the transmission is in neutral gear.
- The red OIL indicator lamp, when lit, signals that oil is not circulating through the engine.

NOTE:

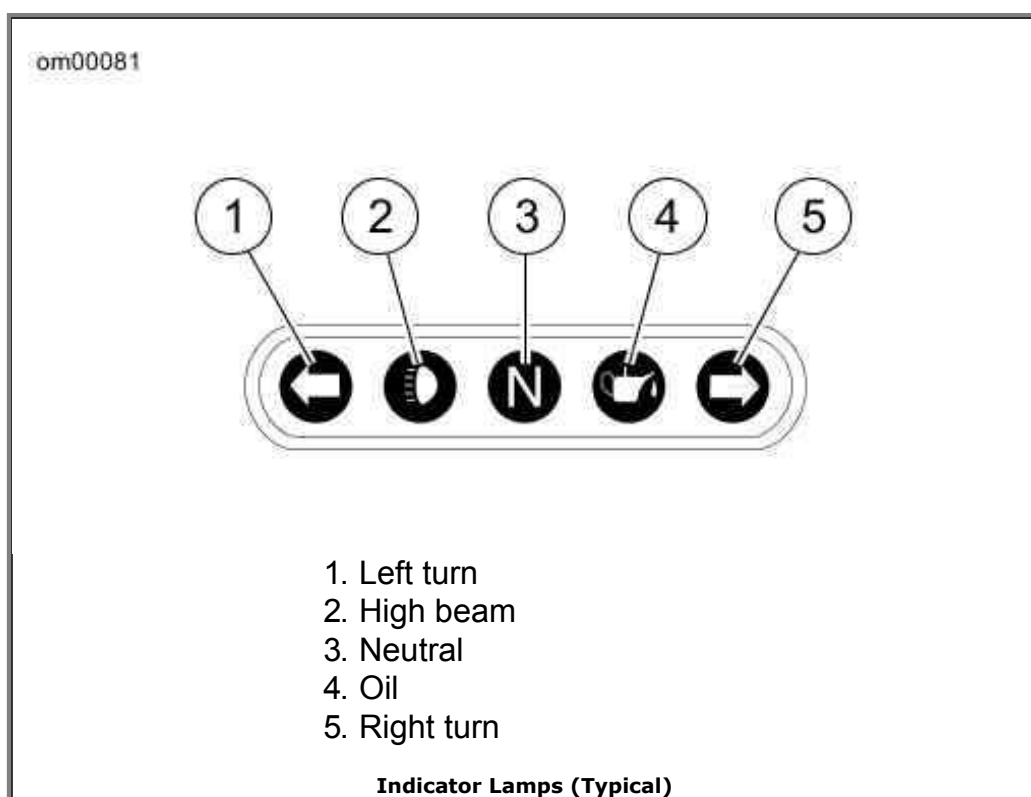
*The OIL indicator lamp will glow when the ignition is turned on prior to starting engine. With engine running, lamp should be off when engine speed is above idle.*

Several other circumstances that could cause the red oil indicator lamp to signal, include the following:

- If the oil pressure indicator lamp does not go off at speeds above idling, it is usually because of an empty oil tank or diluted oil.
- In freezing weather the oil feed may clog with ice and sludge, preventing oil circulation.
- A grounded oil signal switch wire.
- A faulty signal switch.
- A damaged or improperly installed check valve.
- Trouble with the pump.

### CAUTION

**If the oil pressure indicator lamp remains lit, always check the oil supply first. If the oil supply is normal and the lamp is still lit, stop the engine at once and do not ride further until the trouble is located and the necessary repairs are made. Failure to do so may result in engine damage. (00157a)**



## Gear Shift Lever

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### Location

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See Shift Lever and Shift Pattern. The gear shift lever is located on the left side of the motorcycle and is operated with the left foot. The shift lever changes gears in a sequential five-speed transmission.

### Shift Pattern

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#### CAUTION

**The clutch must be fully disengaged before attempting a gear shift. Failure to fully disengage the clutch can result in equipment damage. (00182a)**

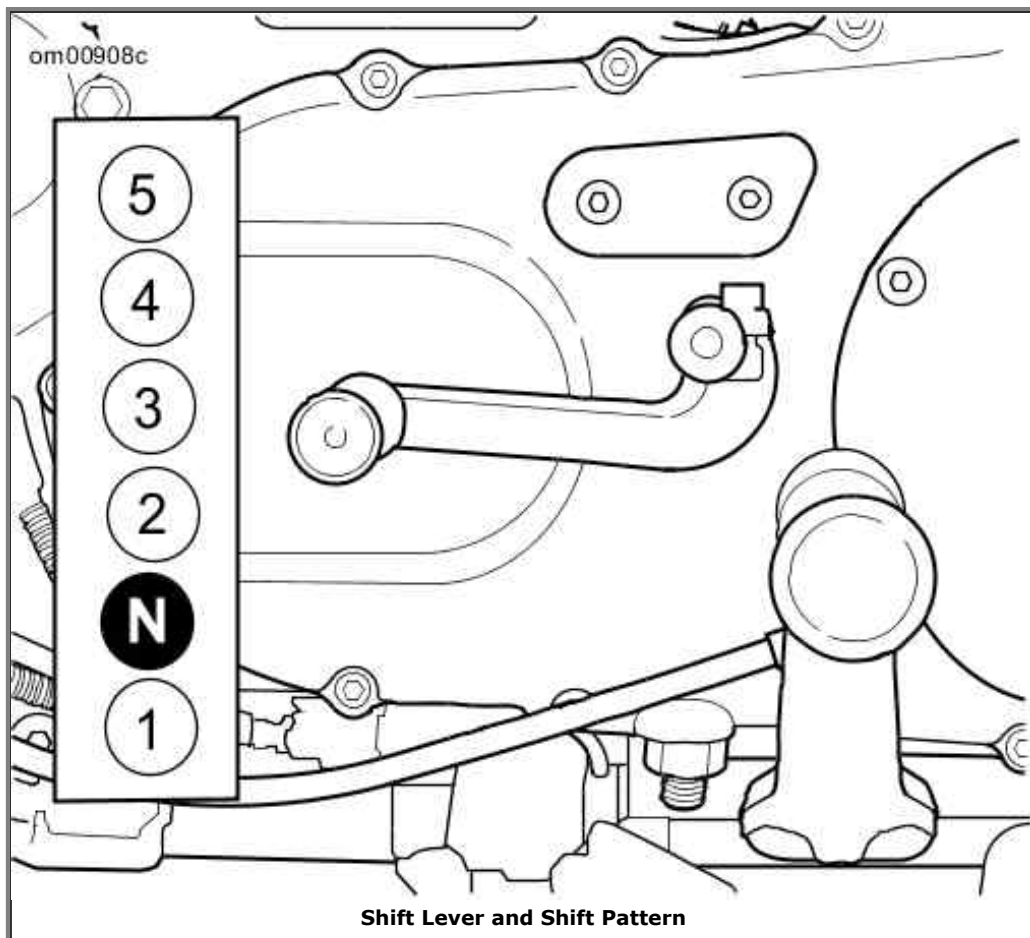
See Shift Lever and Shift Pattern. Each gear must be engaged in sequence. Lift the gear shift lever to upshift and press the lever to downshift. After each gear change, release the gear shift lever to allow it to return to its resting position. See Shifting Gears.

### Neutral

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Neutral is located between first and second gear. The transmission can be shifted to neutral from either first or second gear. Lift or press the gear shift lever 1/2 of its stroke. In neutral, the indicator lamp will light.





## Brake System

### ⚠WARNING

**Do not apply brake strongly enough to lock the wheel. A locked wheel will skid and can cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00053a)**

The rear brake pedal controls the rear wheel brake and is located on the motorcycle's right side. Operate the rear brake pedal with the right foot.

The front brake hand lever controls the front wheel brake and is located on the right handlebar. Operate the hand lever with the fingers of the right hand.

### ⚠WARNING

**Do not position fingers between hand control lever and handlebar grip. Improper hand positioning can impair control lever operation and cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00032a)**

Brakes should be applied uniformly and evenly to prevent wheels from locking up. A balance between rear and front braking is generally best.

## Jiffy Stand

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Always park motorcycle on a level, firm surface. An unbalanced motorcycle can fall over, which could result in death or serious injury. (00039a)**

The jiffy stand is located on the left side of the motorcycle and swings outward to support the motorcycle for parking.

### **⚠ WARNING**

**The jiffy stand locks when placed in the full forward (down) position with vehicle weight on it. If the jiffy stand is not in the full forward (down) position with vehicle weight on it, the vehicle can fall over which could result in death or serious injury. (00006a)**

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Be sure jiffy stand is fully retracted before riding. If jiffy stand is not fully retracted, it can contact the road surface causing a loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00007a)**

## **Jiffy Stand Interlock: International Models**

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Some international models are equipped with a jiffy stand interlock feature.

The vehicle will start and run with the jiffy stand down while the transmission is in neutral. If the jiffy stand is down, the transmission is in gear, and the clutch is released, the vehicle will stall. The message "SidE StAnd" will scroll across the odometer to indicate this to the rider. Raising the jiffy stand (or putting the transmission in neutral) will permit the engine to run and clear the message.

If the jiffy stand moves out of the fully retracted position while riding at speeds greater than 10 mph 15 km/h , then the jiffy stand interlock system will maintain engine operation and alert the rider about this by illuminating the indicators (flash twice) and scroll the message "SidE StAnd" across the odometer. The message will remain until the system detects the jiffy stand in the fully retracted position again. The rider may continue to operate the vehicle while in this mode.

The rider may clear the text messages at any time by pressing the function switch once while the vehicle is powered up.

## **Rear View Mirrors**

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### **⚠ WARNING**

**Objects in mirrors are closer than they appear. Use caution when judging distance of objects in mirrors. Failure to judge correct distances could result in death or serious injury. (00033a)**

Your vehicle is equipped with two convex rear view mirrors.

This type of mirror is designed to give a much wider view to the rear than a flat mirror. However, cars and other objects seen in this type of mirror will look smaller and farther away than they actually are.

- Use caution when judging the size or relative distance of objects seen in rear view mirrors.
- Always adjust the rear view mirrors to clearly reflect the area behind the motorcycle before riding.

*NOTE:*

*Adjust mirrors so you can see a small portion of your shoulders in each mirror. This will help you establish the relative distance of vehicles to the rear of your motorcycle.*

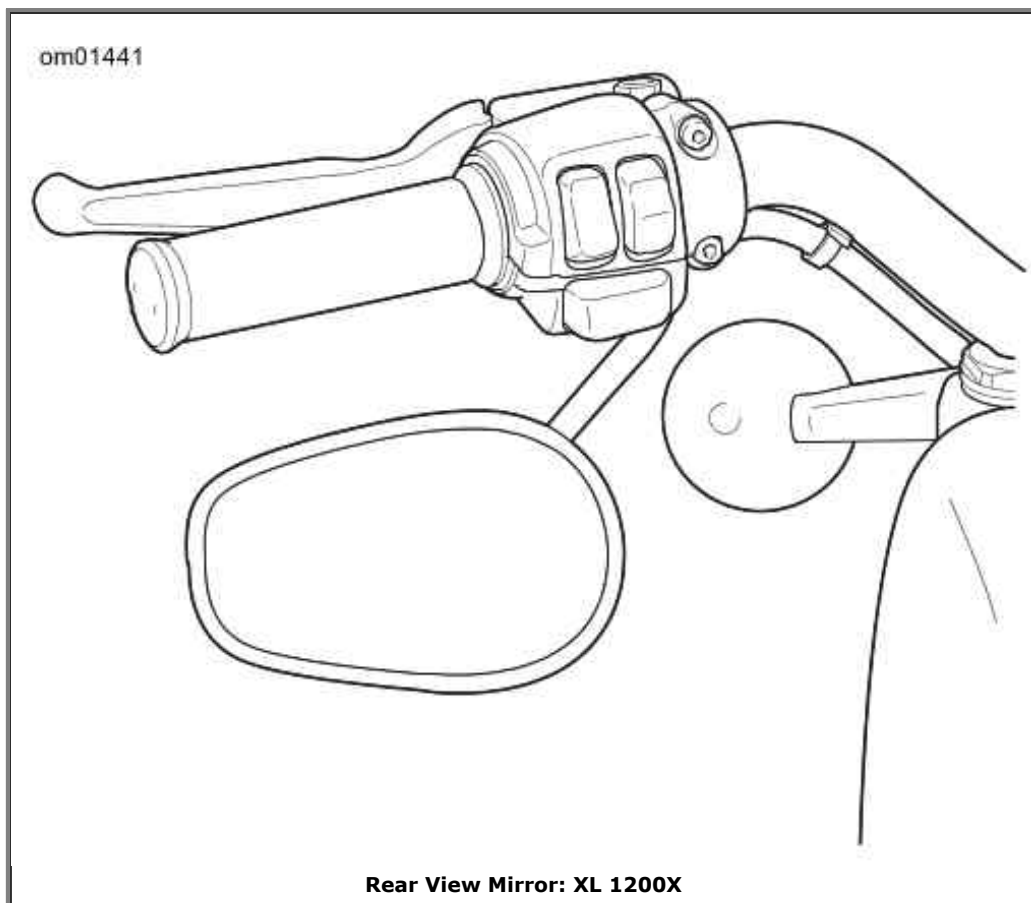
## Rear View Mirrors: XL 1200X

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### CAUTION

**Improperly aligned handlebars or components can contact the fuel tank when turned to the left or right. Contact with the fuel tank can cause cosmetic damage. (00372b)**

See Rear View Mirror: XL 1200X. When adjusting mirrors, slowly turn handlebars to the full right and full left positions to make sure the mirrors do not contact the fuel tank.



## Fuel Filler Cap

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## General

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See SAFE OPERATING RULES section and review safety procedures listed below.

**CAUTION**

**Do not spill fuel onto the motorcycle while refueling. Immediately wipe up fuel spills on your motorcycle. Fuel can cause damage to cosmetic surfaces. (00147b)**

**CAUTION**

**Use only unleaded fuel in catalytic converter-equipped motorcycles. Using leaded fuel will damage the emission control system. (00150b)**

**⚠WARNING**

**Do not store motorcycle with gasoline in tank within the home or garage where open flames, pilot lights, sparks or electric motors are present. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00003a)**

**⚠WARNING**

**Avoid spills. Slowly remove filler cap. Do not fill above bottom of filler neck insert, leaving air space for fuel expansion. Secure filler cap after refueling. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00028a)**

**⚠WARNING**

**Do not use aftermarket fuel caps. Aftermarket fuel caps may fit improperly and leak, which could lead to death or serious injury. See a Harley-Davidson dealer for approved fuel caps. (00034a)**

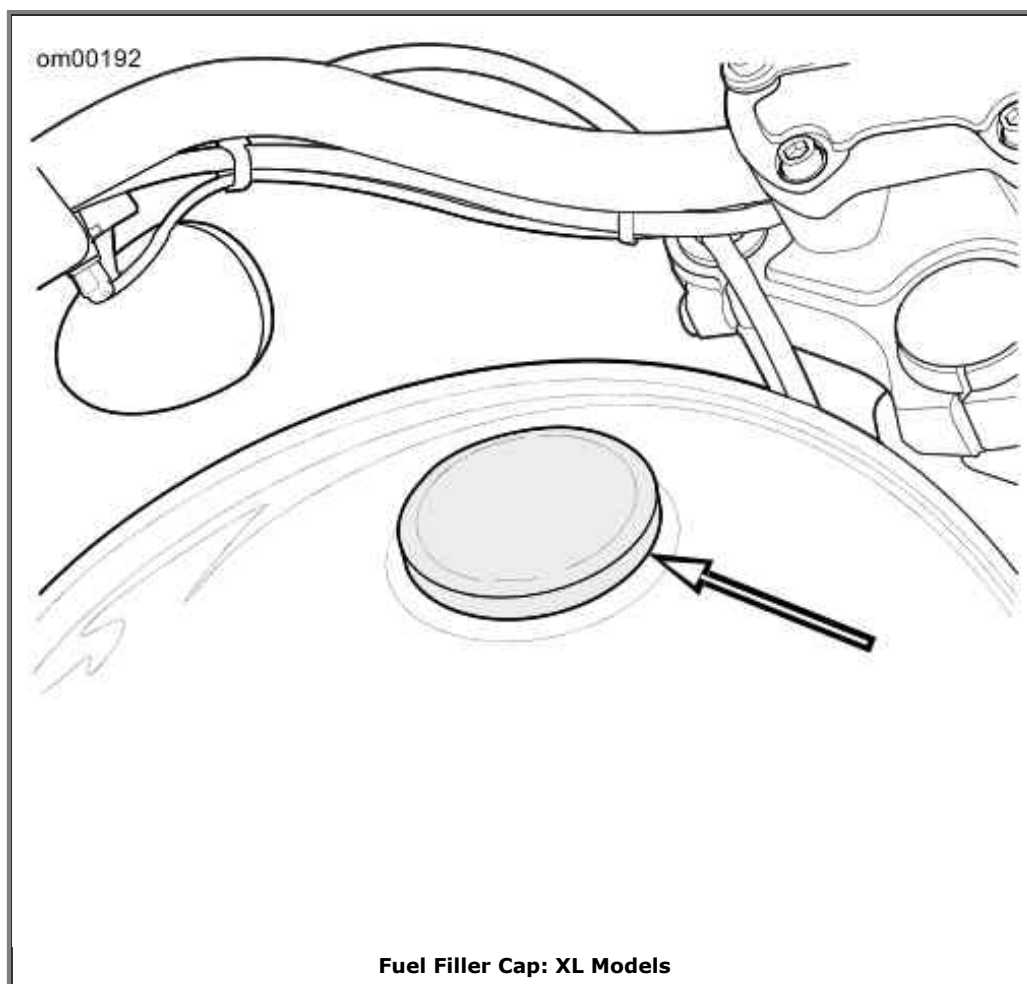
## **XL Models**

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See Fuel Filler Cap: XL Models. To open, turn fuel filler cap counterclockwise and lift up. To close, turn fuel filler cap clockwise until it clicks. The ratchet action of the cap prevents overtightening.

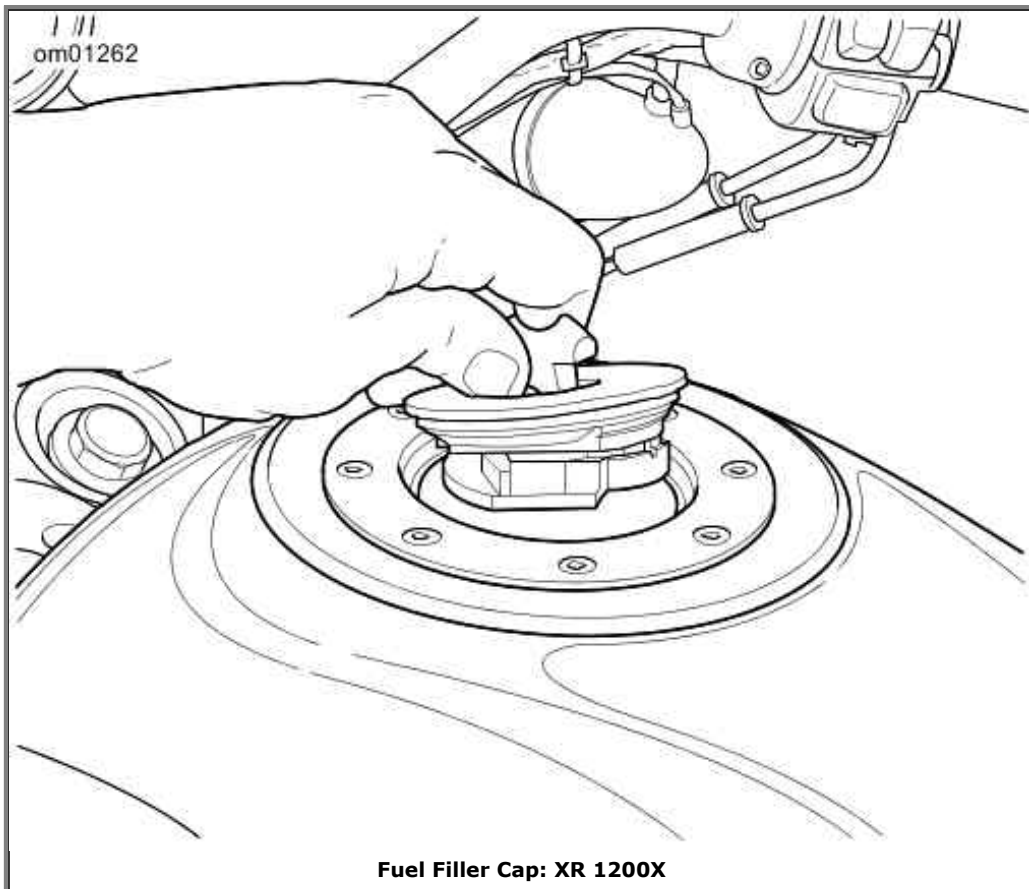
*NOTE:*

*Fuel filler cap turns approximately a 3/4 turn before it starts unscrewing.*



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See Fuel Filler Cap: XR 1200X. To open fuel filler cap, pull metal tab up, turn tab counterclockwise and remove cap. To close, insert fuel filler cap, turn tab clockwise and push tab down.



## Fork Lock

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### CAUTION

**Protect your vehicle against theft. Failure to lock the motorcycle after parking could result in theft and/or equipment damage. (00151b)**

See Fork Lock Location: Sportster Models. Sportster models have the fork lock located on the steering head just above the ignition switch. Using the fork lock immediately after parking your motorcycle will discourage unauthorized use or theft when parking your motorcycle.

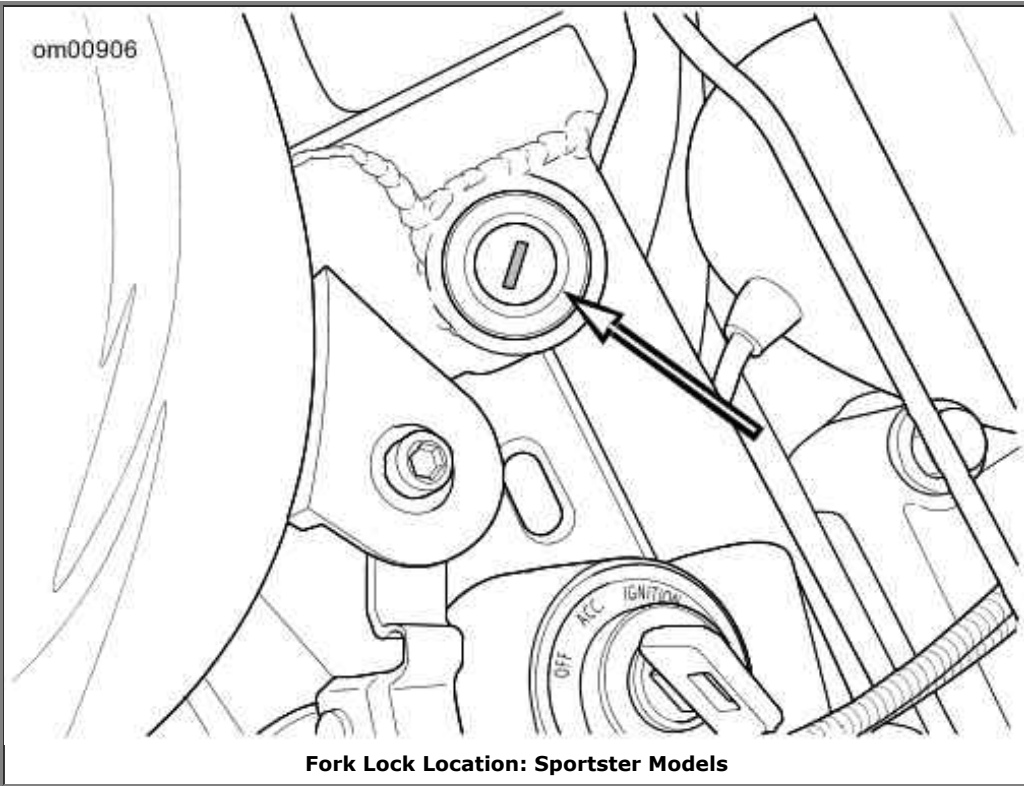
### ⚠ WARNING

**Do not operate vehicle with forks locked. Locking the forks restricts the vehicle's turning ability, which could result in death or serious injury. (00035a)**

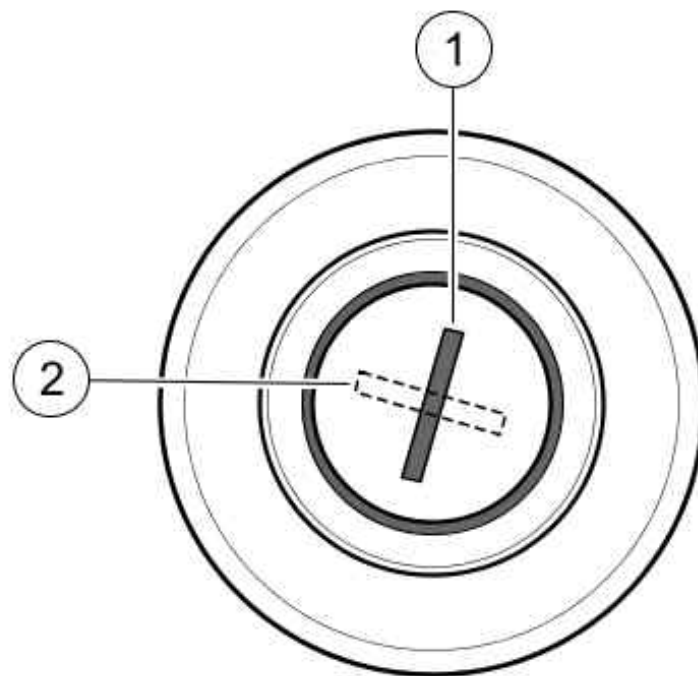
To lock fork, see Fork Lock Positions: Sportster Models.

1. Turn fork to full left position.
2. Insert ignition key into fork lock.
3. Turn to right position (clockwise).
4. Remove ignition key.

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Fork Lock Positions: Sportster Models

## Suspension Definitions

**Damping:** Resistance to velocity of suspension movement. Damping affects how easily the suspension can move and limits oscillations of the system once movement has begun.

**Compression:** The suspension is compressed when the wheel moves upward (when riding over a bump).

**Rebound:** The suspension is rebounding when it is moving back from being compressed (rebounding to the road surface after a bump).

**Vehicle Sag:** The amount the rear shock and fork springs are compressed by the weight of the motorcycle.

**Rider Sag:** The amount the rear shock and fork springs are compressed by the weight of the rider on the motorcycle.

**Preload:** An adjustment made to the rear shock and front fork springs to limit vehicle and rider sag to a standard percentage of total suspension travel.

Before evaluating and adjusting suspension settings, check the motorcycle's tires. They must be in good condition and properly inflated. Refer to Tires: Early Production and Tires: Late Production.

## **Tool Kit: XR 1200X**

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A tool pouch is provided with suspension adjustment tools.

- 5 mm hex key (front fork preload adjustment)
- Spanner wrench with extension handle (shock absorber preload adjustment)

## **General Suspension Adjustment: XR 1200X**

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The front and rear preload setting will need to be adjusted for the rider's weight and cargo. This adjustment should be made before the motorcycle is ridden any distance and after changing the overall vehicle weight (adding saddlebags, etc.).

Damping is set at the factory for the average solo rider under normal riding conditions. The rider may make adjustments to compensate for individual riding styles and varying road conditions.

Evaluating and changing the rebound and compression damping is a very subjective process with many variables and should be approached carefully.

## **Changes in Load**

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Changes in the load carried requires changes in the preload settings. Carrying less weight than was used for setting up the suspension requires decreasing the amount of preload. Increasing the load carried requires adding more preload.

## **Front Fork: XR 1200X**

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### **⚠WARNING**

**Adjust both forks equally. Improper fork adjustment can lead to loss of control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00124c)**

### **CAUTION**

Compression and rebound adjusting valves may be

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**Compression and rebound adjusting valves may be damaged if too much force is used at either end of the adjustment range. (00237a)**

*NOTE:*

*Do not force adjusters beyond mechanical stops.*

## **Spring Preload**

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1. See Spring Preload Adjuster: XR 1200X. With a hex key, turn the preload adjuster counterclockwise until it stops. This is the minimum preload setting.
2. Calculate the total load and turn the adjuster clockwise to specification. Refer to Recommended Fork Preload: XR 1200X.

## **Rebound Damping**

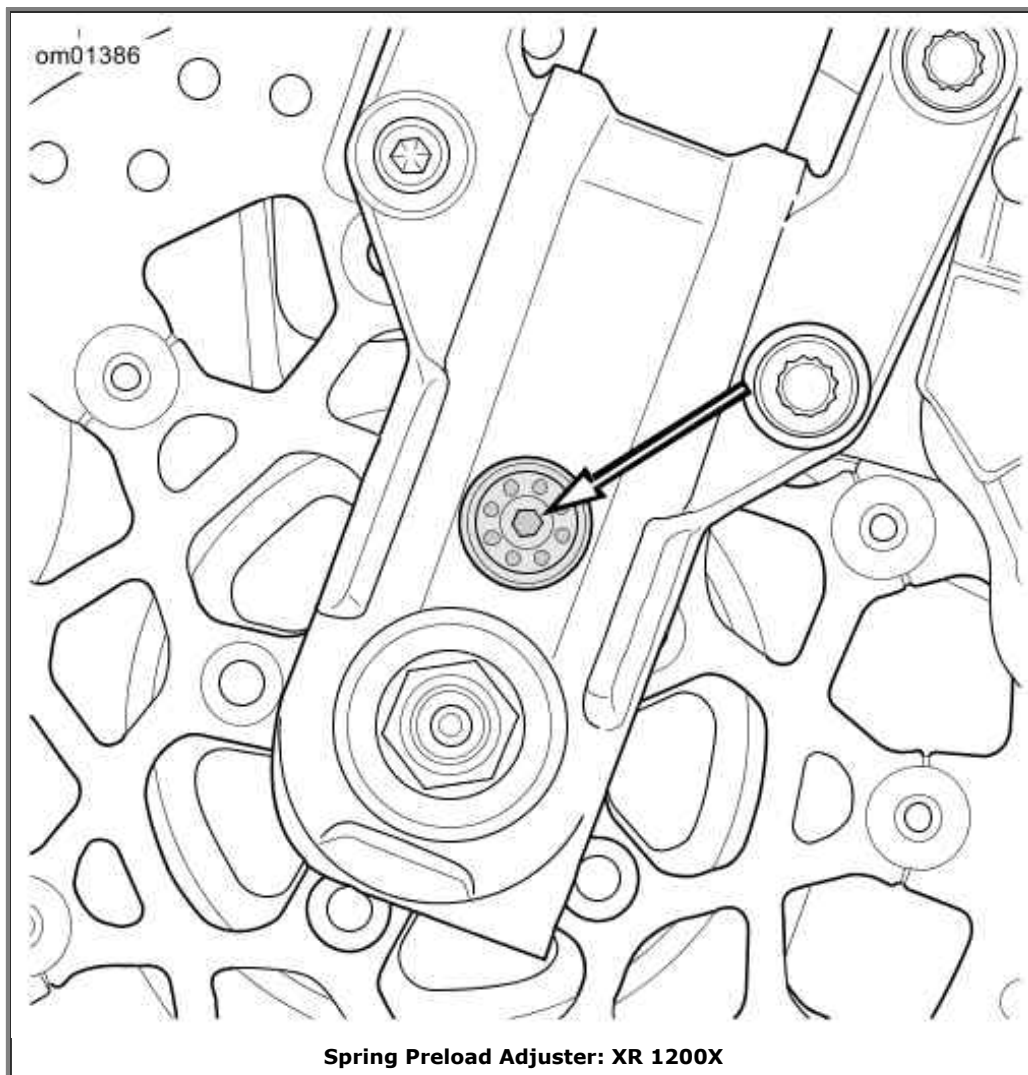
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1. See Fork Rebound and Compression Damping Adjusters: XR 1200X. Turn the rebound damping adjuster (1) clockwise H (hard) until it stops. This is the maximum rebound setting.
2. Turn adjuster counterclockwise S (soft) to specification. Refer to Recommended Fork Rebound and Compression Damping Adjustment: XR 1200X.

## **Compression Damping**

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1. See Fork Rebound and Compression Damping Adjusters: XR 1200X. Turn the compression damping adjuster (2) clockwise H (hard) until it stops. This is the maximum compression setting.
2. Turn the adjuster counterclockwise S (soft) to specification. Refer to Recommended Fork Rebound and Compression Damping Adjustment: XR 1200X.



**Recommended Fork Preload: XR 1200X**

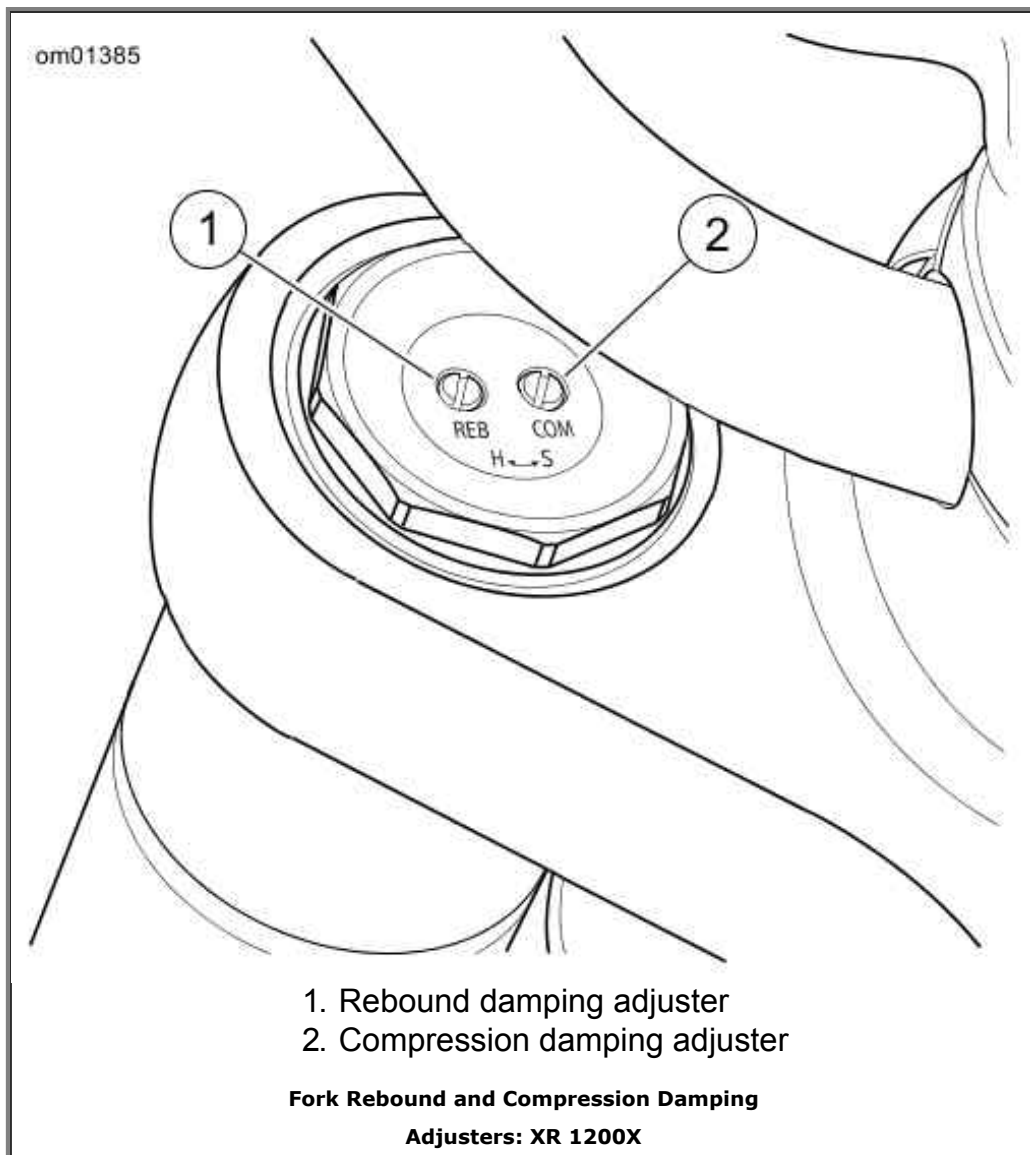
| LOAD*            |         | TURNS**<br>FROM<br>MINIMUM |
|------------------|---------|----------------------------|
| lb               | kg      |                            |
| Less than 165    | 75      | 0-4                        |
| 165-195          | 75-89   | 4-6                        |
| 195-225          | 89-102  | 6-8                        |
| 225-255          | 102-116 | 8-10                       |
| Greater than 255 | 116     | More than 10               |

\*Add the weight of the rider, passenger, riding gear, accessories, and cargo.

\*\*Turns are clockwise turns in from minimum.

- To increase preload, turn the adjuster clockwise.
- To decrease preload, turn the adjuster counterclockwise.

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**Recommended Fork Rebound and Compression Damping Adjustment: XR 1200X**

| DAMPING*  | NOMINAL (FROM MAXIMUM) |
|---|------------------------|
| Rebound (REB)   | 3                      |
| Compression (COM)   | 5                      |
| *Values shown are counterclockwise turns out from maximum. Rotate adjuster clockwise to increase damping or counterclockwise to decrease damping. |                        |

## Shock Absorber Preload: All Models

### ⚠ WARNING

Adjust both shock absorbers equally. Improper adjustment can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00036b)

### CAUTION

**Do not turn the shock absorber adjustment collar clockwise beyond adjustment setting 5. Doing so may result in equipment damage. (00166b)**

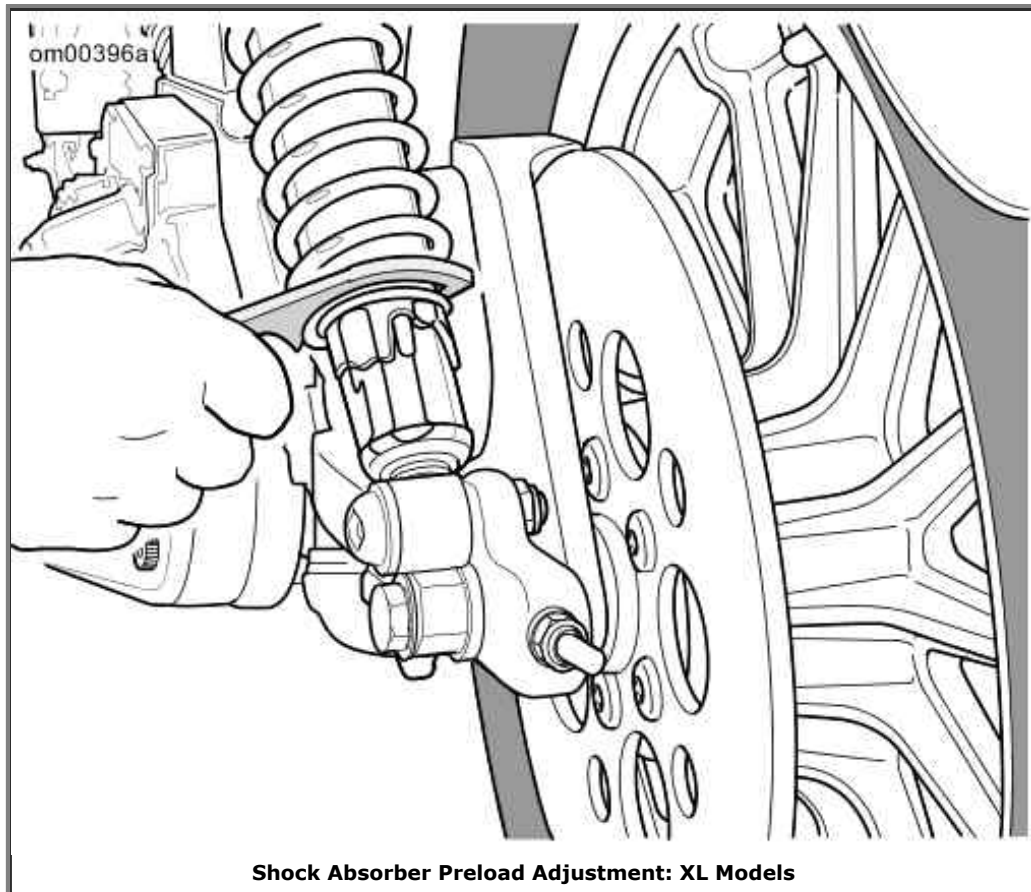
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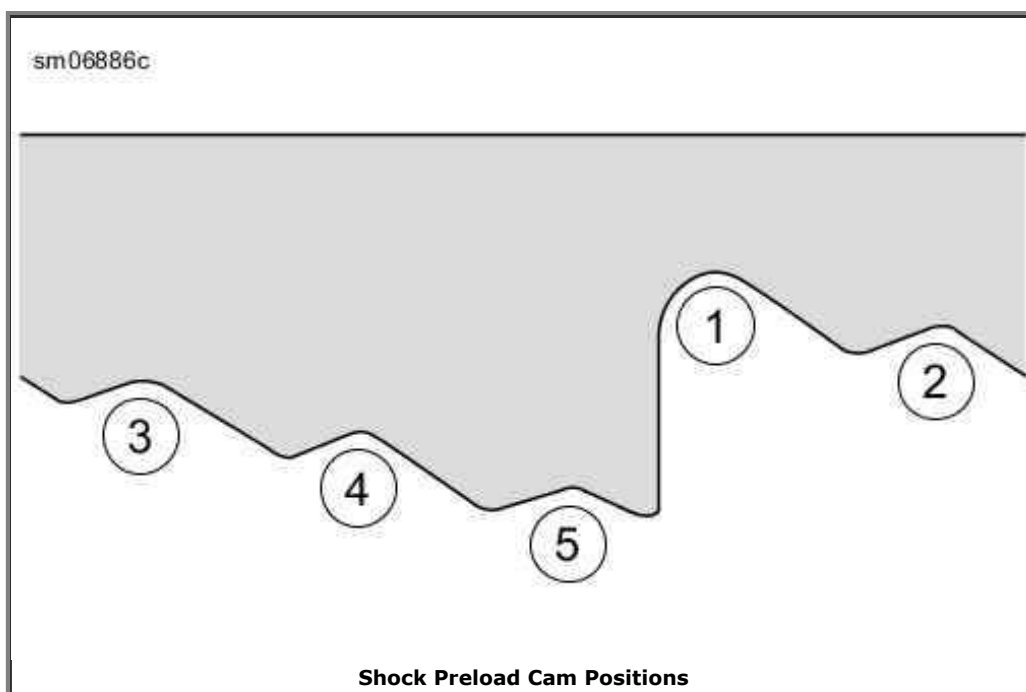
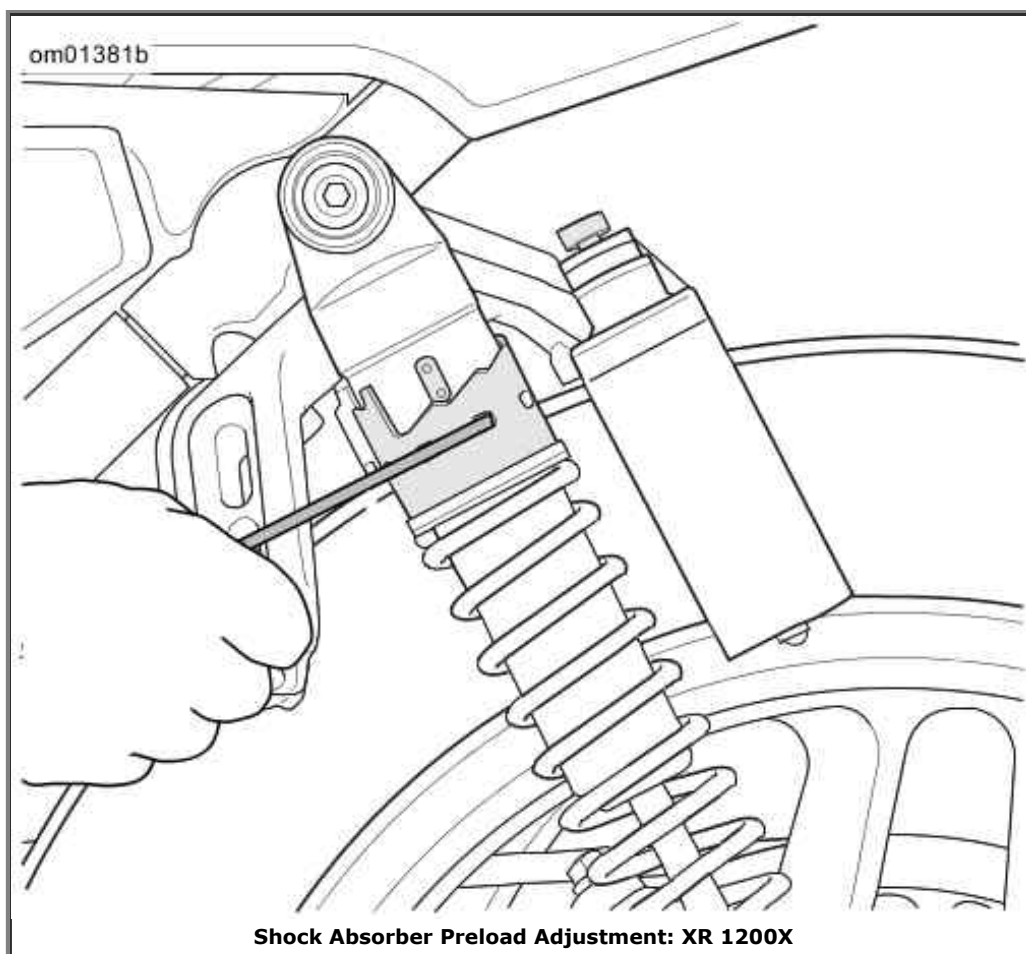
*See Shock Preload Cam Positions. Do not turn the preload cam past position five (5) to position one (1) or from position one (1) to position five (5).*

**XL Models:** See Shock Absorber Preload Adjustment: XL Models. Using SHOCK ADJUSTMENT SPANNER 94448-82B , turn the adjustment cam to specification.

- For five position shock absorbers, refer to Recommended Shock Preload: Five Position.
- For three position shock absorbers, refer to Recommended Shock Preload: Three Position.

**XR 1200X:** See Shock Absorber Preload Adjustment: XR 1200X. Use the spanner wrench with extension handle from the tool kit to turn the adjustment cam to specification. Refer to Recommended Shock Preload: Five Position.





XL 883L/N, XL1200N/X and certain XL1200CP models are configured for solo operation. If you choose to add a passenger and/or cargo to the vehicle, the ride quality may be compromised. See a Harley-Davidson dealer for two-up seats, passenger pegs, and suspension options.

**Recommended Shock Preload: Five Position**

| LOAD*         |       | POSITION** |
|---------------|-------|------------|
| lb            | kg    |            |
| Less than 165 | 75    | 1          |
| 165-195       | 75-89 | 2          |

|  |         |   |
|--|---------|---|
| 100-150  | 100-150 | 4 |
| 150-225  | 89-102  | 3 |
| 225-255  | 102-116 | 4 |
| Greater than 255   | 116     | 5 |
| * Add the weight of the rider, passenger, riding gear, accessories, and cargo. |         |   |
| ** See Shock Preload Cam Positions.  |         |   |

#### Recommended Shock Preload: Three Position

| LOAD*  |        | POSITION |
|--|--------|----------|
| lb   | kg     |          |
| Less than 165  | 75     | 1        |
| 165-225  | 75-102 | 2        |
| Greater than 225   | 102    | 3        |
| * Add the weight of the rider, passenger, riding gear, accessories, and cargo. |        |          |

## Shock Absorber Rebound and Compression: XR 1200X

### ⚠ WARNING

Adjust both shock absorbers equally. Improper adjustment can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00036b)

### CAUTION

Compression and rebound adjusting valves may be damaged if too much force is used at either end of the adjustment range. (00237a)

NOTE:

*Do not force adjusters beyond the mechanical stops.*

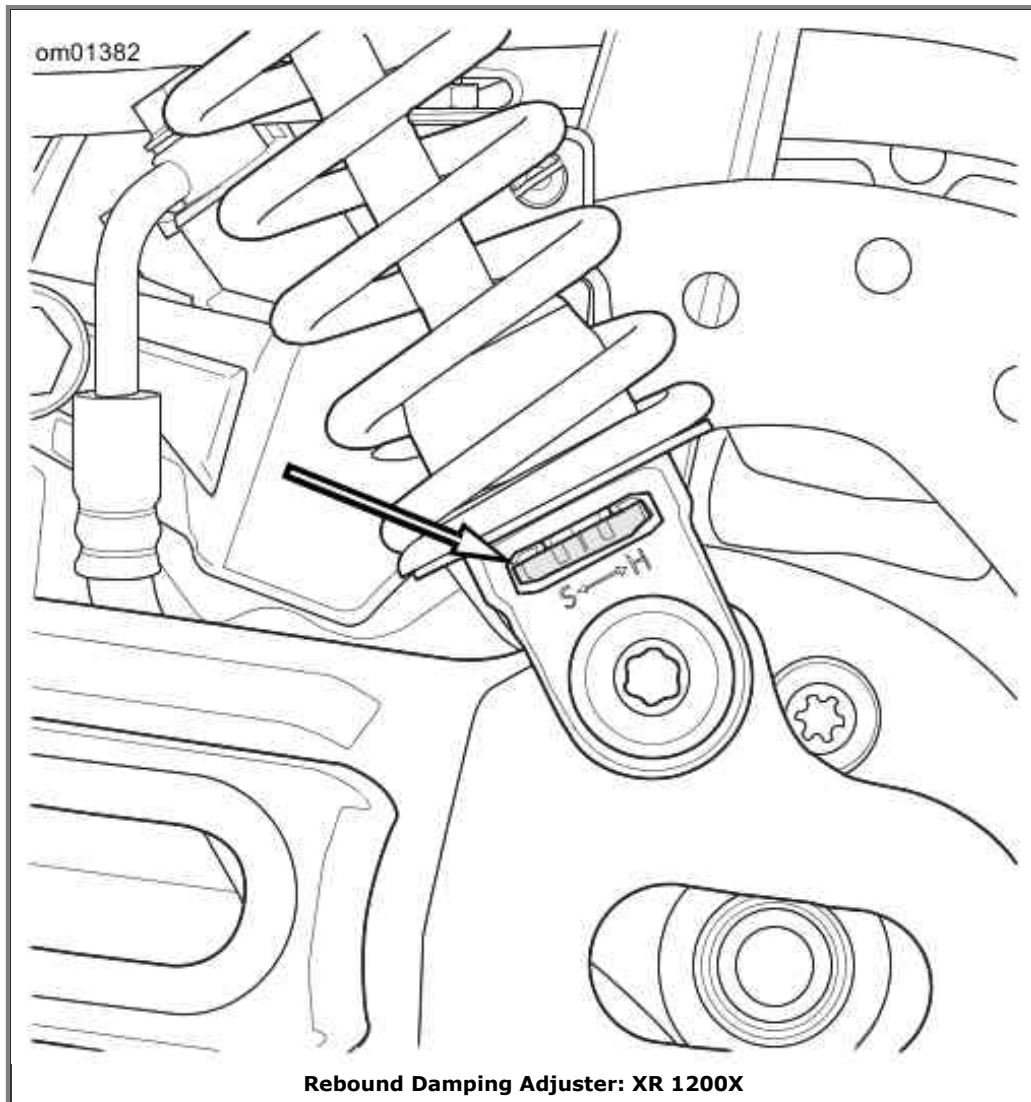
## Shock Absorber Rebound Damping Adjustment

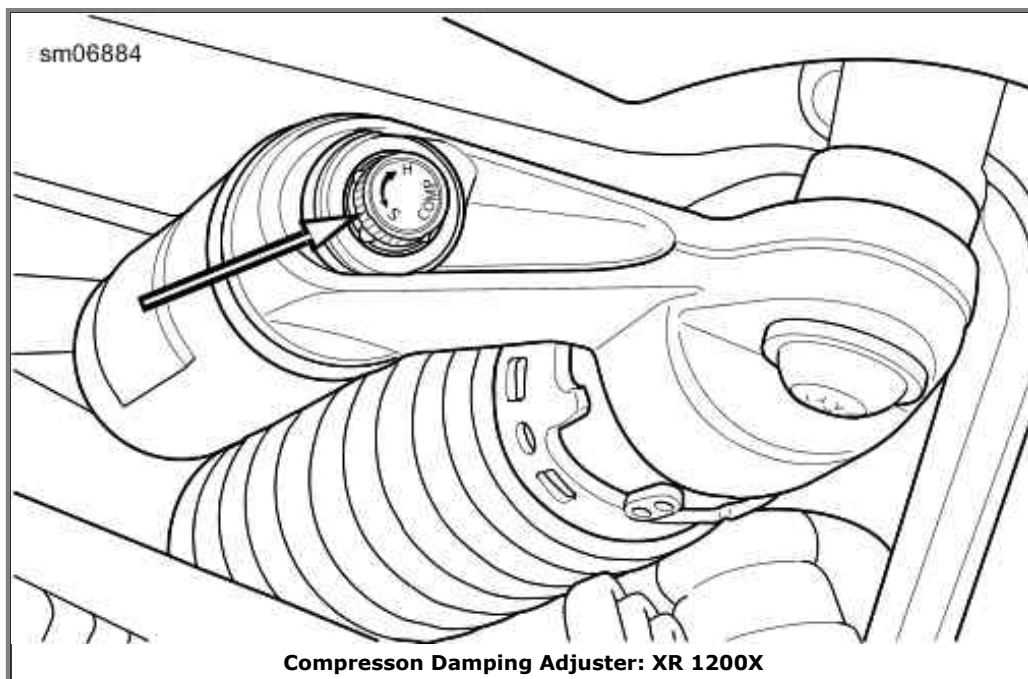
1. See Rebound Damping Adjuster: XR 1200X. Turn the rebound adjuster in the direction of the embossed H (hard) until it stops. This is the maximum rebound damping setting.
2. Turn the rebound adjuster toward the embossed S (soft) the recommended number of clicks. Refer to Recommended Rear Shock Rebound and Compression Damping: XR 1200X.

## Shock Absorber Compression Damping Adjustment

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1. See Compression Damping Adjuster: XR 1200X. Using fingers, turn the compression adjuster clockwise H (hard) until it stops. This is the maximum compression damping setting.
2. Turn the compression adjuster counterclockwise (H to S) (hard to soft) the recommended number of clicks. Refer to Recommended Rear Shock Rebound and Compression Damping: XR 1200X.





**Recommended Rear Shock Rebound and Compression Damping: XR 1200X**

| <b>DAMPING</b>     | <b>CLICKS FROM MAX<br/>(H to S)</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Rebound (REB)      | 5                                   |
| Compression (COMP) | 7                                   |

## Suspension Tuning: XR 1200X

After the preload and damping have been set to the recommended settings, additional adjustments can be made to enhance the comfort, control and handling characteristics of the motorcycle. These adjustments may be based on personal riding style, desired ride quality, and varying road conditions.

1. Set the front forks and shock absorbers to the recommended settings. Properly inflate the tires.
2. Determine the ride quality of the motorcycle. Ride the motorcycle on a familiar road with a variety of bumps and turns. Ride over different surfaces at varying speeds. If the suspension is set properly, the vehicle suspension will feel controlled and comfortable.
3. Refer to Suspension Damping Adjustment Guidelines: XR 1200X. Adjust the rebound and compression damping according to the motorcycle behavior experienced during the ride.
4. After adjusting the suspension, ride the motorcycle again to check for comfort and response.

**NOTE:**

*When tuning the suspension, make all adjustments in small increments. Radical setting changes may overshoot the best adjustment setting.*

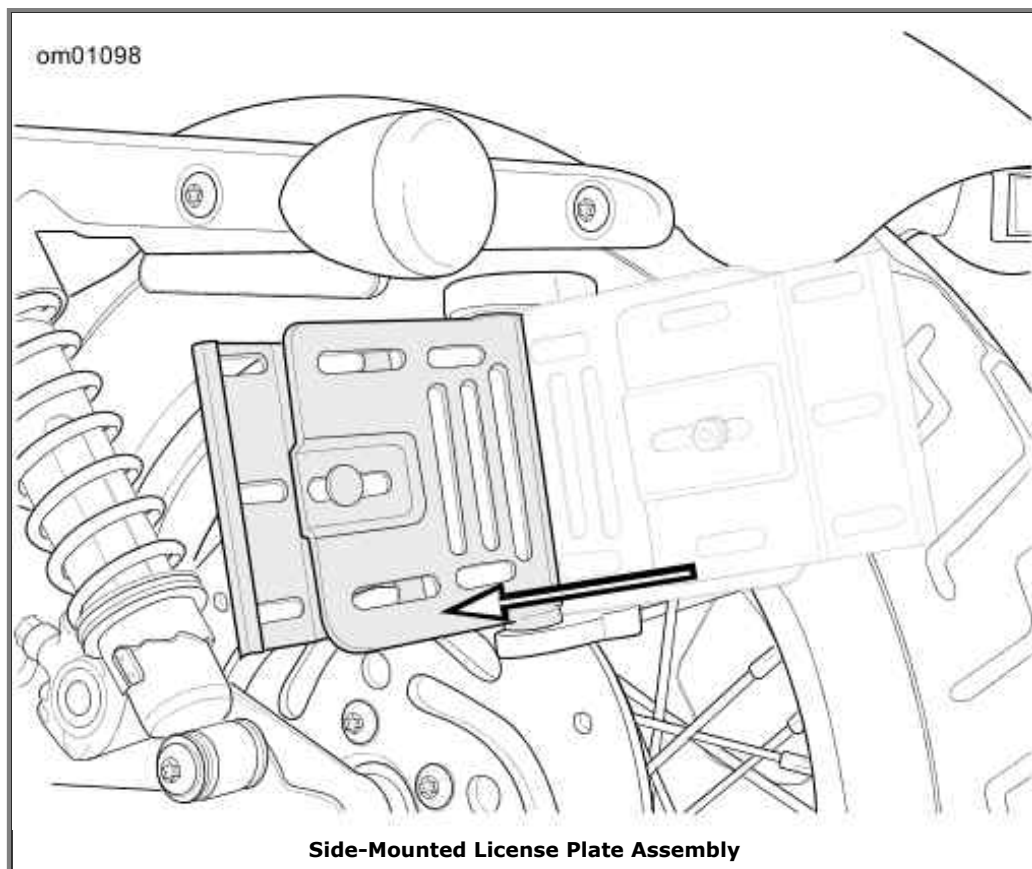


| MOTORCYCLE BEHAVIOR                                     | SUGGESTED REMEDY                      |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Soft or unsettled feeling around corners or after bumps | Increase rebound damping.             |
| Leaping feeling or topping after large bumps            | Increase rebound damping.             |
| Harsh/sharp feedback over bumps                         | Decrease rebound damping.             |
| Feels like motorcycle drops down over chatter bumps     | Decrease rebound damping.             |
| Excessive bottoming through potholes                    | Increase compression damping.         |
| Excessive dive when applying front brake                | Increase compression damping (forks). |
| Hard feeling or inadequate absorption over bumps        | Decrease compression damping.         |
| Feels excessively stiff or busy around corners          | Decrease compression damping.         |

## Side-Mounted License Plate

See Side-Mounted License Plate Assembly. Some models are equipped with a convertible side-mounted license plate assembly. The license plate must be in the extended position during operation. Due to local regulations, this feature may not be available in all locations.

The side-mounted license plate assembly includes an LED lamp module. If the LED lamp fails, see a Harley-Davidson dealer for assembly replacement.



## Harley-Davidson Smart Security System

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## Components

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The Harley-Davidson Smart Security System (H-DSSS) consists of a Hands-Free Security Module (HFSM) and a hands-free antenna mounted on the motorcycle, and a hands-free fob carried by the rider/passenger.

After parking the motorcycle, turn the ignition key to OFF and the Smart Security System will automatically **arm** within five seconds. While armed, the starter and ignition are disabled and the rider may leave the motorcycle knowing that the module will activate an alarm if someone tampers with the ignition or attempts to move the motorcycle.

If the fob is present, the module will automatically **disarm** when the ignition key is turned to IGNITION or ACCESS.

*NOTE:*

*Do not relocate the module or the antenna on the motorcycle.*

## Options

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Several options are available for the Harley-Davidson Smart Security System from the Harley-Davidson Genuine Motor Accessories and Motor Parts catalog. Options include:

- Smart Siren II.
- Security Pager Receiver II.
- Replacement Fobs.

See a Harley-Davidson dealer for details.

## FCC Regulations

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This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules and with RSS-210 of Industry Canada rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

*NOTE:*

*Changes or modifications not expressively approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.*

The term "IC:" before the radio certification number only signifies that Industry Canada technical specifications were met.

## Security System Fob

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## Fob Assignment

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See Fob: Smart Security System. Key fobs are electronically assigned to the Harley-Davidson Smart Security System by a Harley-Davidson dealer so that the motorcycle can recognize a fob's unique signal. Only two fobs can be assigned at any one time.

Replacement fobs can be purchased from a dealership but can only be assigned to the motorcycle by a trained Harley-Davidson technician.

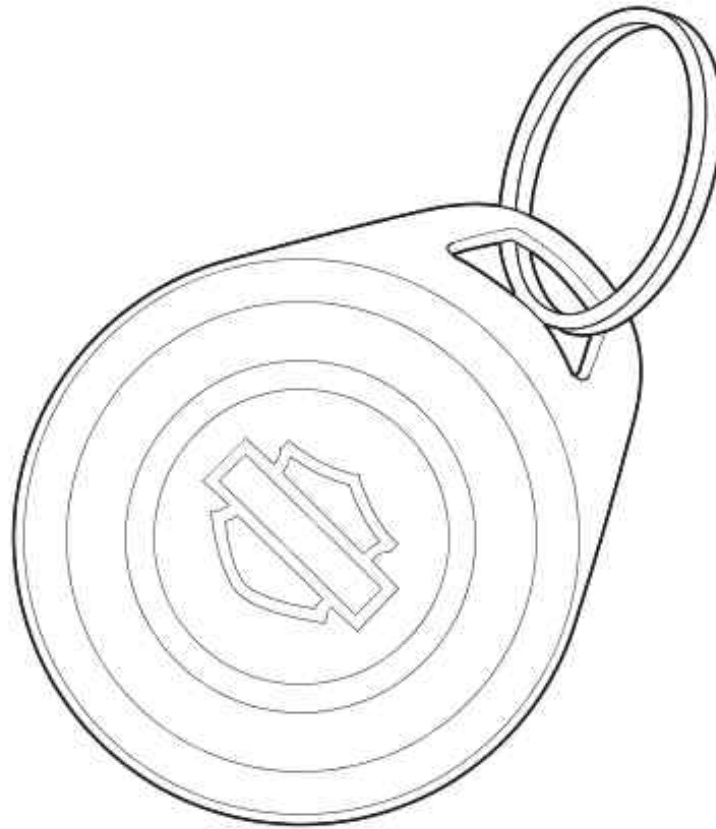
*NOTES:*

- *The reusable label found on the fob packaging lists the serial number of the fob. For reference, affix the label to a blank "NOTES" page in this Owner's Manual.*
- *The serial number of the fob is also found on the inside of the fob. See Fob Battery.*
- *The module will arm only if the fob has been assigned by a Harley-Davidson dealer and a Personal Identification Number (PIN) has been entered in the system. The PIN should be recorded on the Personal Information page in the front of this Owner's Manual and on the removable wallet card.*
- *Should the rider misplace the fob or if the fob fails, the rider can refer to the wallet card and use the PIN to manually disarm the system. Refer to Arming and Disarming and Fob Battery.*
- *The PIN can easily be changed by the rider at any time. Refer to Personal Identification Number (PIN).*

## **Riding with a Fob**

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- Always carry the fob when riding, loading, fueling, moving, parking or servicing the motorcycle. Carry the fob in a convenient pocket.
- Do not leave the fob attached to the handlebars or store the fob in a luggage compartment. Unintentionally leaving the fob with the motorcycle when it is parked prevents the system from activating the alarm.
- Do not ride with the fob stored in a metal case or with the fob closer than 3.0 in 76 mm to a cell phone, PDA, display or other electronic device. Any electromagnetic interference may prevent the fob from disarming the system.
- For added security, always lock the fork and remove the key when parked. If the fob is within range and the motorcycle is unlocked, tampering with the motorcycle will not activate the alarm.



Fob: Smart Security System

## Personal Identification Number (PIN)

The Personal Identification Number (PIN) is a number that can be used to disarm the Harley-Davidson Smart Security System in case an assigned fob is misplaced, fails or if the fob cannot communicate with the motorcycle because of electromagnetic interference.

A PIN is a five-digit number (1-9, no zeros).

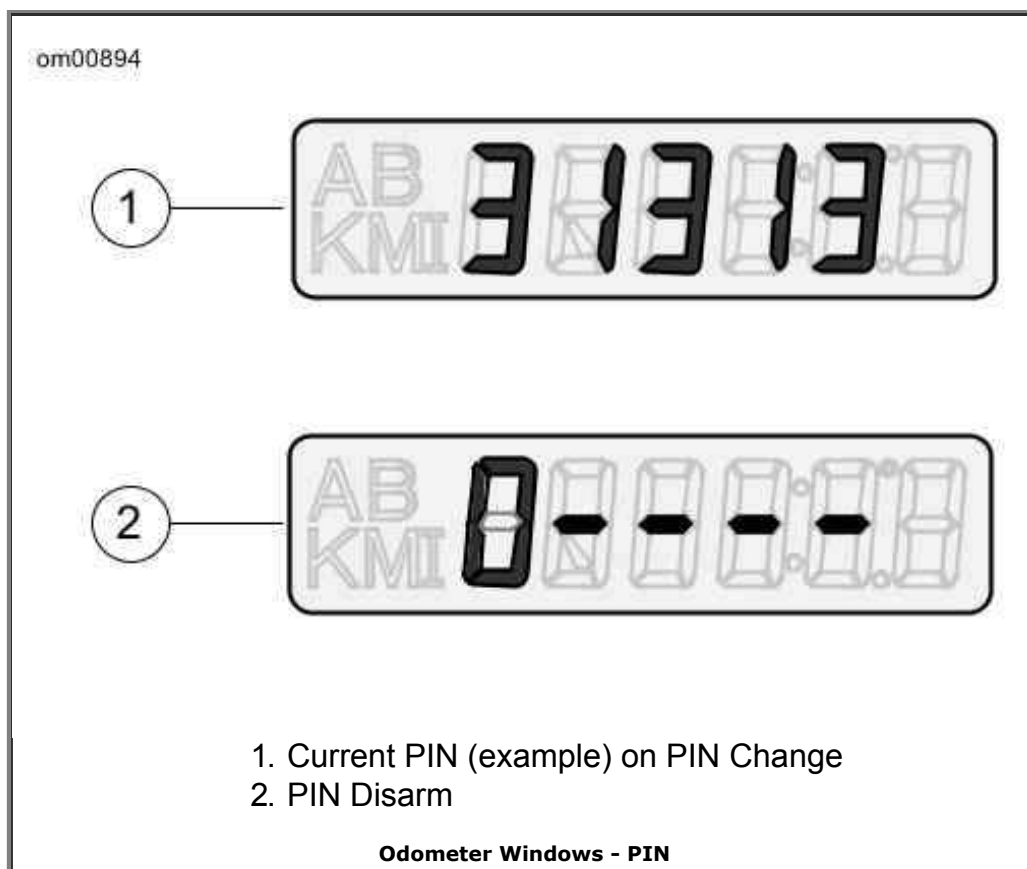
## Changing the PIN

To maintain security, the rider can change the PIN at any time. Refer to Changing the PIN.

### Changing the PIN

| STEP NO. | ACTION  | WAIT FOR CONFIRMATION | NOTES |
|----------|---|-----------------------|-------|
| 1        | Select a 5-digit (1 thru 9) PIN and record on the wallet card from Owner's Manual.            |                       |       |
| 2        | With an assigned fob present, turn <b>IGN</b> key <b>IGNITION-OFF-IGNITION-OFF-IGNITION</b> . |                       |       |
| 3        | Press <b>left</b> turn signal switch <b>3 times</b> .   |                       |       |

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|----|--|---|--|
| 4  | Press <b>right</b> turn signal switch <b>1 time</b> and release.                             | Turn signals will flash 3 times. Current PIN will appear in odometer. The first digit will be flashing. | See Odometer Windows - PIN.  |
| 5  | Enter first digit (a) of new PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn signal switch <b>a</b> times.  |   |  |
| 6  | Press <b>right</b> turn signal switch <b>1 time</b> and release.                             | The new digit (a) will replace the current in odometer window.  |  |
| 7  | Enter second digit (b) of new PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn signal switch <b>b</b> times. |   |  |
| 8  | Press <b>right</b> turn signal switch <b>1 time</b> and release.                             | The new digit (b) will replace the current in odometer window.  |  |
| 9  | Enter third digit (c) of new PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn signal switch <b>c</b> times.  |   |  |
| 10 | Press <b>right</b> turn switch <b>1 time</b> and release.                                    | The new digit (c) will replace the current in odometer window.  |  |
| 11 | Enter fourth digit (d) of new PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn signal switch <b>d</b> times. |   |  |
| 12 | Press <b>right</b> turn switch <b>1 time</b> and release.                                    | The new digit (d) will replace the current in odometer window.  |  |
| 13 | Enter fifth digit (e) of new PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn signal switch <b>e</b> times.  |   |  |
| 14 | Press <b>right</b> turn switch <b>1 time</b> and release.                                    | The new digit (e) will replace the current in odometer window.  |  |
| 15 | Before the module rearms, turn the ignition key to <b>OFF</b> .                              | The odometer will return to mileage.  | Turning the ignition key to <b>OFF</b> stores the new PIN in the module. |



## Security Status Indicator

See Instruments: XL Models. The security system lamp in the speedometer face indicates the status of the Harley-Davidson Smart Security System.

- **Armed:** A lamp that blinks approximately every 3 seconds indicates that the system is armed.
- **Disarmed:** After the system disarms and the ignition is on, the lamp will remain illuminated for approximately four seconds and then turn off.
- **Service:** A lamp that remains illuminated longer than four seconds while the system is disarmed indicates that service of the module is required.

## Arming and Disarming

### Arming

When the motorcycle is parked and the ignition key is turned to OFF, the Harley-Davidson Smart Security System arms automatically within five seconds if no motion is detected. Even when the fob is present, the system will arm.

On arming, the turn signals will flash twice and the optional siren will chirp twice. While armed, the key icon in the speedometer face will flash every three seconds.

NOTE:

**International Models:** The HFSM must be in the Chirp Mode for the siren to chirp on arming or on disarming. See Siren Chirp Mode (Confirmation).

### Disarming

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Once disarmed, the rider may ride or move the motorcycle for parking, storage or service without setting off the alarm.

**Fob:** An armed Smart Security System is automatically disarmed when the ignition key is turned to IGNITION with the fob present.

When the module disarms, the optional siren will chirp once and the key icon will illuminate for a solid four seconds and then turn off.

*NOTE:*

*Any motion, like lifting the motorcycle up off of its jiffy stand, or turning the ignition key to IGNITION and the module will electronically search for the presence of the fob. If the fob is present, the system disarms.*

**Personal Identification Number (PIN):** If the fob is misplaced or if the present fob fails to communicate with the module, the system can be disarmed with the Personal Identification Number (PIN).

## Disarming with a PIN

Do not turn handlebars, straddle seat or lift motorcycle off the jiffy stand. During a PIN disarm, if the Smart Security System detects motorcycle motion the system will activate the alarm.

### Entering a PIN to Disarm Harley-Davidson Smart Security System

| STEP NO. | ACTION  | WAIT FOR CONFIRMATION  | NOTES   |
|----------|---|--|---|
| 1        | If necessary, verify the current 5-digit PIN.   |  | Should be recorded on wallet card.  |
| 2        | Turn ignition key to <b>IGNITION</b> .  |  |   |
| 3        | Quickly (within 2 seconds of turning ignition key) hold <b>both</b> turn signal switches in until confirmation. | Key icon flashes at fast rate. In the odometer window, a flashing dash will be followed by four more dashes. | See Odometer Windows - PIN. Five dashes will appear in the odometer window. |
| 4        | Enter first digit ( <b>a</b> ) in the PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn switch <b>a times</b> .                  | The first digit ( <b>a</b> ) in the odometer will be the first digit in the PIN.                             |   |
| 5        | Press <b>right</b> turn switch <b>1 time</b> .  | The first digit is stored and the dash will flash.   | Serves as enter key.  |
| 6        | Enter second digit ( <b>b</b> ) in the PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn switch <b>b times</b> .                 | The second digit ( <b>b</b> ) in the odometer will be the second digit in the PIN.                           |   |
| 7        | Press <b>right</b> turn switch <b>1 time</b> .  | The second digit is stored and the next dash will flash.   | Serves as enter key.  |
| 8        | Enter third digit ( <b>c</b> ) in the PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn switch <b>c times</b> .                  | The third digit ( <b>c</b> ) in the odometer will be the third digit in the PIN.                             |   |
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| 9  | Press <b>right</b> turn switch <b>1 time</b> .  | The third digit is stored and the next dash will flash.                            | Serves as enter key.               |
| 10 | Enter fourth digit ( <b>d</b> ) in the PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn switch <b>d times</b> . | The fourth digit ( <b>d</b> ) in the odometer will be the fourth digit in the PIN. |                                    |
| 11 | Press <b>right</b> turn switch <b>1 time</b> .  | The fourth digit is stored and the next dash will flash.                           | Serves as enter key.               |
| 12 | Enter fifth digit ( <b>e</b> ) in the PIN by pressing <b>left</b> turn switch <b>e times</b> .  | The fifth digit ( <b>e</b> ) in the odometer will be the fifth digit in the PIN.   |                                    |
| 13 | Press <b>right</b> turn switch <b>1 time</b> .  | The fifth digit is stored. The key icon stops blinking.                            | Smart Security System is disarmed. |

**NOTES:**

- At any time during a PIN disarm, if the fob is brought within range of the motorcycle, the Smart Security System will disarm when the module receives the coded signal from the fob.
- If a mistake is made while entering PIN, wait two minutes before another disarming attempt.
- The Smart Security System will remain disarmed until the ignition key is turned to OFF.

## Arming with Hazard Warning 4-Way Flashers On

If it should be necessary to leave a motorcycle parked along side a roadway, the hazard warning four-way flashers can be turned ON and the Smart Security System armed.

1. Turn ignition key to IGNITION.
2. Simultaneously press both left and right turn signal switches to turn the four-way flashers ON.
3. Turn the ignition key to OFF to arm the Smart Security System.

To turn hazard warning flashers OFF, turn the ignition key to IGNITION and simultaneously press the left and right turn signal switches.

## Alarm

## Warnings

Once armed, if the motorcycle is moved or lifted up off of its jiffy stand or if the ignition key is turned to IGNITION and the fob is not present, the alarm will warn the operator with three alternate flashes of the turn signals and a chirp of the optional siren.

Within four seconds, if the motorcycle is back on its jiffy stand and no further motion is detected and/or the ignition key is turned to OFF, the module will remain armed without activating the alarm.

If the motorcycle motion continues or the ignition key is not turned back to OFF, the module will issue a second warning four seconds after the first.

**NOTE:**



*During warnings and alarms, the starter motor and the ignition circuits are disabled.*

## The Alarm

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If the Smart Security System is still detecting motion and/or if the ignition key has not been turned back to OFF after a second warning, the system will activate the alarm.

When activated, the Smart Security System will:

- Alternately flash the four turn signals.
- Sound the optional siren.

**Duration:** The alarm will stop within 30 seconds and if no motion is detected, the alarm will not restart.

However, if motorcycle motion continues the system will repeat the 30 second alarm and recheck for motion. The alarm will repeat this 30 second alarm cycle for five minutes (10 cycles) or until the alarm is deactivated.

*NOTE:*

*The alarm will also activate the LED, vibration or audible modes of a Harley-Davidson Security Pager. A pager can operate either in silent or in combination with an optional Smart Siren. The range of a pager can be up to 0.5 mi 0.8 km . See a Harley-Davidson dealer for details.*

## Deactivate the Alarm

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**Key Fob:** Bring the fob to the motorcycle. After the module identifies that the fob is present, the system will terminate the alarm.

## Siren Chirp Mode (Confirmation)

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### Chirp Mode

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In chirp mode, the siren sounds two chirps when arming, and a single chirp when disarming.

### Chirpless Mode

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In chirpless mode, the siren does not chirp on arming or disarming.

The siren will still provide warning chirps and sound the alarm if the motorcycle is moved or the ignition switch is turned on without the fob present.

## Switching Modes

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Perform the following to switch between chirp and chirpless modes.

1. With the fob present, turn the ignition switch ON.

2. When the security lamp turns off, turn the ignition switch OFF.
3. When the security lamp turns off (but before the turn signals flash twice), immediately turn the ignition switch ON.
4. When the security lamp turns off, immediately turn the ignition switch OFF.
5. When the security lamp turns off (but before the turn signals flash twice), immediately turn the ignition switch ON.
6. When the security lamp turns off, immediately turn the ignition switch OFF.
7. When the security lamp turns off (but before the turn signals flash twice), immediately turn the ignition switch ON.

## Transport Mode

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It is possible to arm the security system without enabling the motion detector for one ignition cycle. This allows the vehicle to be picked up and moved in an armed state, however, any attempt to start the engine when the key fob is not within range will trigger the alarm.

## To Enter Transport Mode

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1. Turn the ignition switch to IGN.
2. Set the engine stop switch to OFF.
3. With an assigned fob within range, turn the ignition switch from IGN to ACC.
4. Simultaneously press both the left and the right turn signal switches. This must be done within five seconds of turning the ignition switch to ACC.
5. After the turn signals flash once, turn the ignition switch to OFF and the module is armed.
6. **Confirmation:** Turn signal blinks three times when armed for one ignition cycle.

## To Exit Transport Mode

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Return the system to normal operation:

With the fob present, turn the ignition switch to IGN to disarm the system. To cancel the transport mode, set the engine stop switch to RUN.

## Storage and Service Departments

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### Long-Term Parking

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To maintain arming, store the fob beyond the range of the antenna - more than 20 feet 6 meters away. If the motorcycle is to be moved while parked, have the fob present.

If the motorcycle will not be operated for several months, such as during the winter season, refer

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to Motorcycle Storage.

## Service Departments

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When the motorcycle is to be left at a Harley-Davidson dealer, there are two options:

1. Leave an assigned fob with the dealer.
2. To maintain possession of the fob, ask the dealer to disable the system for service (service mode) before leaving the dealership.

## Fob Battery

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## Replacing the Battery

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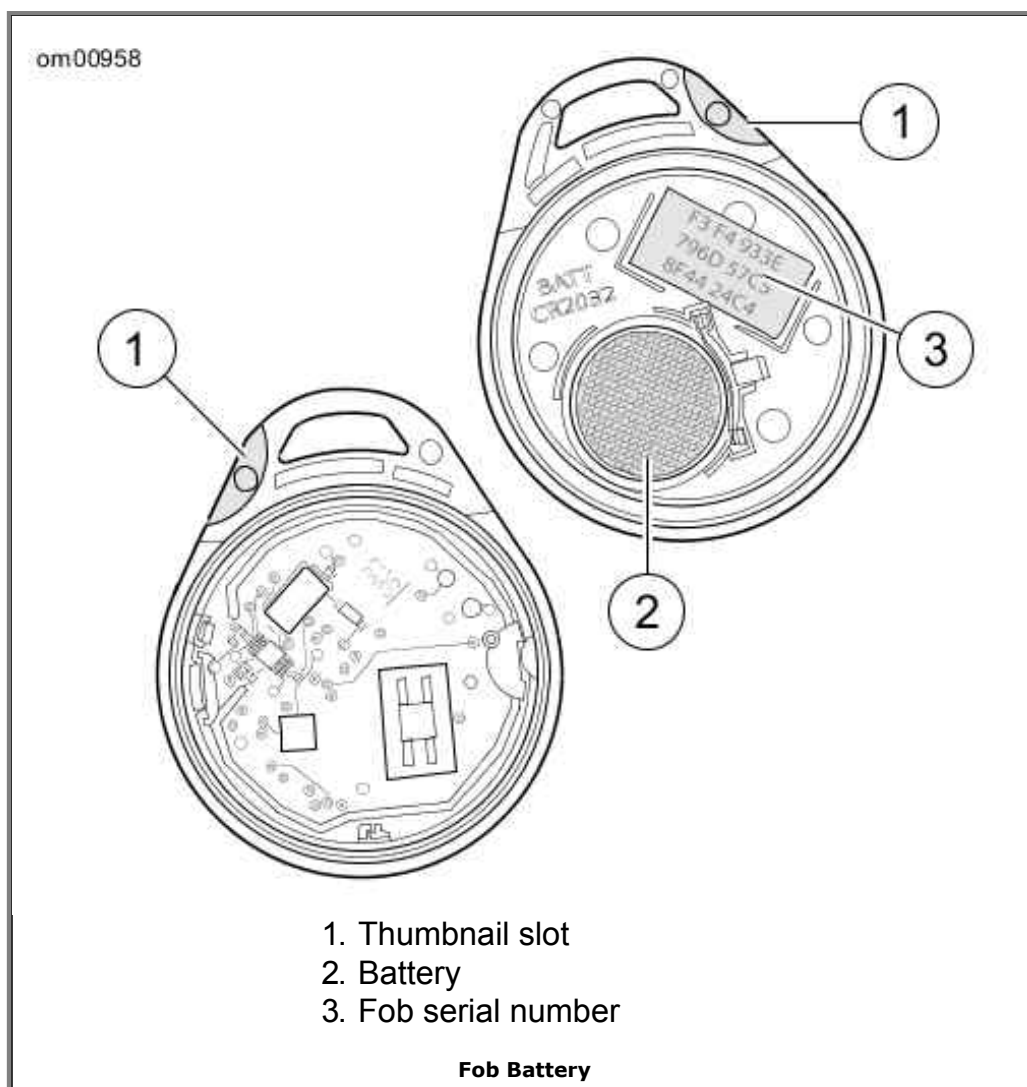
Replace the fob battery every year.

1. See Fob Battery. Slowly turn a thin blade in the thumbnail slot (1) on the side of the fob to separate the two halves.
2. Remove the battery (2) and discard.

*NOTE:*

*Dispose of the old battery in accordance with local regulations.*

3. Install a **new** battery (Panasonic 2032 or equivalent) with the positive (+) side down.
4. Align the two halves of the fob and snap together.



## Disconnecting Power

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## Optional Siren

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When disconnecting the battery or removing the main fuse, perform the following steps to prevent the optional siren from sounding.

1. Verify that the fob is present.
2. Turn the ignition switch to IGNITION.
3. Pull the main fuse from its holder or disconnect the battery.

## Troubleshooting

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## Security System Indicator

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If the system indicator lamp stays illuminated while riding, see a Harley-Davidson dealer.

## Fob

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If the Smart Security System continues to actuate warnings and alarms with the fob present, one of the following can be the cause:

1. **Electromagnetic Interference:** Other electronic devices, power lines, or other electromagnetic sources can cause the Smart Security System to operate inconsistently.
  - a. Verify that the fob is not in a metal enclosure or within 3.0 in 76 mm of any other electronic devices.
  - b. Place the fob on the seat and turn the ignition to IGN. After the system disarms, return the fob to a convenient location.
  - c. Move motorcycle at least 15 ft 5 m from the spot of interference.
2. **Discharged Fob Battery:** Use the PIN to disarm the system. Replace the battery. Refer to Fob Battery.
3. **A Damaged Fob:** Use the PIN to disarm the motorcycle. Replacement fobs are available for purchase from a Harley-Davidson dealer.

NOTE:

*Leaving a fob next to a computer monitor can run down the battery.*

## Siren

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- If the siren does not chirp two or three times on a valid arming command from the security module, the siren is either in the Chirpless Mode, not connected, not working, or the siren wiring was opened or shorted while the siren was disarmed.
- If the siren is armed and the internal siren battery is dead, shorted, disconnected, or has been charging for a period longer than 24 hours, the siren will respond with three chirps on arming instead of two.
- The internal siren battery may not charge if the vehicle's battery is less than 12.5 volts.
- If the siren enters the self-driven mode where it is powered from the siren's internal 9 volt battery, the turn signal lamps may or may not alternately flash. If the security module activates the siren, the turn signal lamps will alternately flash. If the siren has been armed and a security event occurs, and the siren is in self-driven mode, the siren will alarm for 20-30 seconds and then turn off for 5-10 seconds. This alarm cycle will be repeated ten times if the siren is in the self-driven mode.

## Operation

### Operating Recommendations

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#### WARNING

**Motorcycles are different from other vehicles. They operate, steer, handle and brake differently. Unskilled or improper use could result in loss of control, death or serious injury. (00556c)**

- Take a rider training course.  
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- Read Owner's Manual before riding, adding accessories or servicing.
- Wear a helmet, eye protection and protective clothing.
- Never tow a trailer.

### CAUTION

**Do not run the engine at extremely high RPM with clutch disengaged or transmission in neutral. Running an engine at high RPM can result in engine damage. (00177a)**

### CAUTION

**Do not exceed the maximum safe RPM specified below under any conditions. Exceeding the maximum safe engine RPM can result in equipment damage. (00248a)**

- The maximum recommended safe engine speed is 6000 rpm for XL models and 6800 rpm for the XR 1200X.
- Do not idle engine unnecessarily for more than a few minutes with motorcycle standing still.

If motorcycle will not be ridden for a period of three weeks or more with security system armed, it is recommended to connect a 750mA SUPERSMART BATTERY TENDER 94654-98B to maintain battery charge. If security system will not be armed, it is recommended that the 30 A maxi-fuse be removed. See Fuses and Relays.

### CAUTION

**Air-cooled engines require air movement over the cylinders and heads to maintain proper operating temperature. Extended periods of idling or parade duty can overheat the engine, resulting in serious engine damage. (00178a)**

An engine running long distances at high speed must be given closer than ordinary attention to avoid overheating and possible engine damage.

*NOTE:*

*Have the engine checked regularly and keep it well tuned.*

This applies particularly to a motorcycle equipped with windshield and fairing.

### ⚠ WARNING

**When riding on wet roads, brake efficiency and traction are greatly reduced. Failure to use care when braking, accelerating or turning on wet roads can cause loss of control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00041a)**

*NOTE:*

When descending upon a long, steep grade, downshift and use engine compression together with intermittent application of both brakes to slow the motorcycle.

### **⚠WARNING**

**Continuous use of brake causes overheating and reduced efficiency, which could result in death or serious injury. (00042a)**

### **⚠WARNING**

**Do not tow a disabled motorcycle. Towing can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00017a)**

## **Break-in Riding Rules**

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### **The First 500 Miles (800 Kilometers)**

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The sound design, quality materials, and workmanship that are built into your new Harley-Davidson will give you optimum performance right from the start.

To allow your engine to wear-in its critical parts, we recommend that you observe the riding rules provided below for the first 500 mi 800 km .

1. During the first 50 mi 80 km of riding, keep the engine speed below 3000 rpm in any gear. Do not lug the engine by running or accelerating at very low rpm, or by running at high rpm longer than needed for shifting or passing.

*NOTE:*

*For models without a tachometer, operate the motorcycle according to the speeds given in Upshift (Acceleration) Road Speeds\* and Downshift (Deceleration) Road Speeds\* during motorcycle break-in.*

2. Up to 500 mi 800 km , vary the engine speed and avoid operating at any steady engine speed for long periods. Engine speed up to 3500 rpm in any gear is permissible.
3. Drive slowly and avoid fast starts at wide open throttle until the engine has warmed up.
4. Avoid lugging the engine by not running the engine at very low speeds in higher gears.
5. Avoid hard braking. Break-in new brakes with moderate use for the first 100 mi 160 km .

## **Pre-Riding Checklist**

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### **⚠WARNING**

**Read the CONTROLS AND INDICATORS section before riding your motorcycle. Failure to understand the operation of the motorcycle could result in death or**

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**serious injury. (00043a)**

Before riding your motorcycle at any time, make a general inspection to be sure it is in safe riding condition.

**⚠ WARNING**

**Stop the engine when refueling or servicing the fuel system. Do not smoke or allow open flame or sparks near gasoline. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00002a)**

**⚠ WARNING**

**Avoid spills. Slowly remove filler cap. Do not fill above bottom of filler neck insert, leaving air space for fuel expansion. Secure filler cap after refueling. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00028a)**

**⚠ WARNING**

**Use care when refueling. Pressurized air in fuel tank can force gasoline to escape through filler tube. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00029a)**

1. Verify fuel is present in tank and add fuel if required.
2. Adjust mirrors to proper riding positions.
3. Check the oil level. Add oil if necessary.
4. Check controls to make sure they operate properly. Operate the front and rear brakes, throttle, clutch and shifter. All controls should operate freely without binding.
5. Check steering for proper operation by turning the handlebars through the full operating range. Handlebars should turn smoothly without binding.

**⚠ WARNING**

**Be sure tires are properly inflated, balanced and have adequate tread. Inspect your tires regularly and see a Harley-Davidson dealer for replacements. Riding with excessively worn, unbalanced or under-inflated tires can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00014a)**

6. Check tire condition and pressure. Incorrect pressure will result in poor riding characteristics and can affect handling and stability. Refer to tire specifications for correct inflation pressure



to use.

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Be sure headlamp, tail and stop lamp and turn signals are operating properly before riding. Poor visibility of rider to other motorists can result in death or serious injury. (00478b)**

7. Check all electrical equipment and switches including the headlamp, stop lamp, turn signals and horn for proper operation.
8. Check for any fuel, oil or hydraulic fluid leaks.
9. Check drive belt for wear or damage.
10. Service your motorcycle as necessary.

## **Starting the Engine**

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### **General**

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### **CAUTION**

**The engine should be allowed to run slowly for 15-30 seconds. This will allow the engine to warm up and let oil reach all surfaces needing lubrication. Failure to comply can result in engine damage. (00563b)**

Do not roll the throttle before starting. Rolling the throttle before starting the motorcycle is unnecessary.

## **Starting**

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### **⚠ WARNING**

**Shift transmission to neutral before starting engine to prevent accidental movement, which could result in death or serious injury. (00044a)**

1. Turn ignition/headlamp key switch to IGNITION position. Do not roll the throttle.
2. See Handlebar Controls. Rock the OFF/RUN switch to the RUN position.

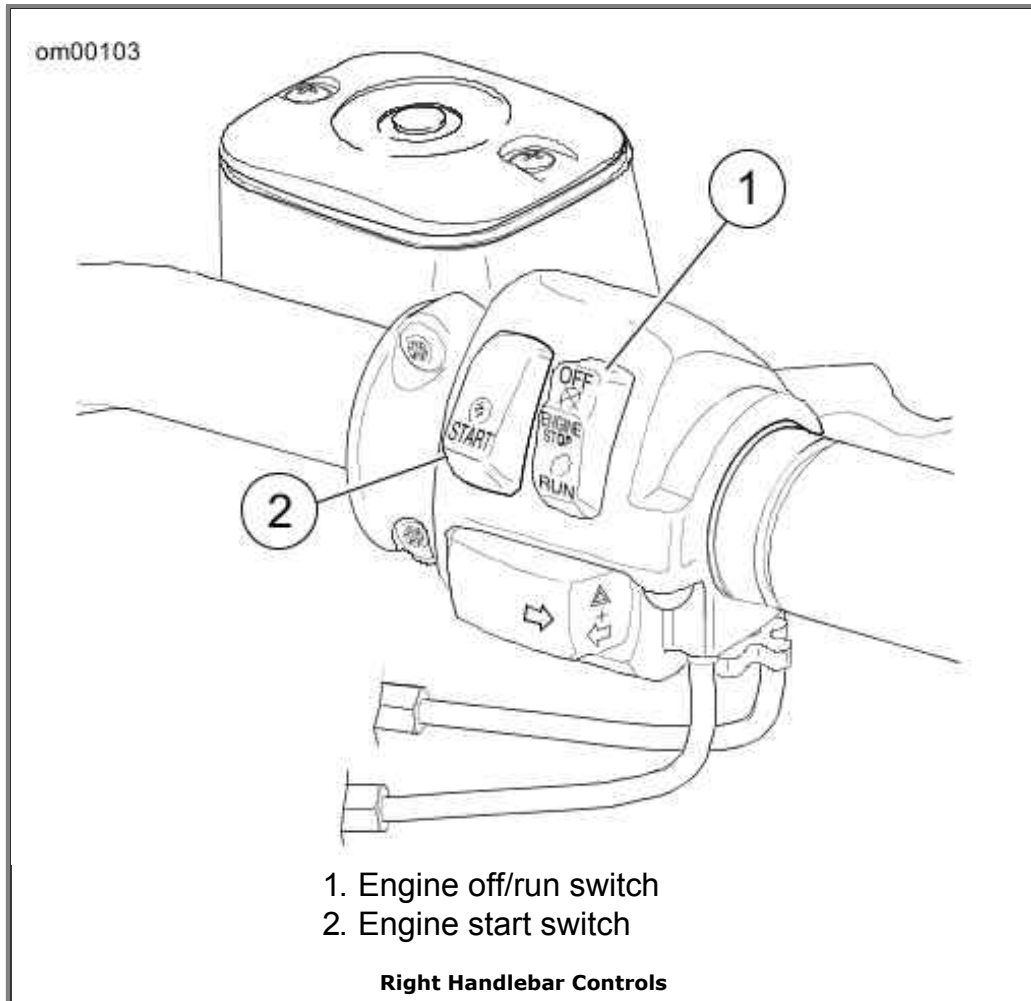
*NOTE:*

*The engine lamp will light for approximately 4 seconds and you will hear the fuel pump purr for approximately 2 seconds as it operates to fill the fuel lines with gasoline.*

3. Verify transmission is in NEUTRAL position by observing the lit green neutral indicator lamp

on the dash panel and verify neutral position by rolling motorcycle forward and rearward.

4. Squeeze the clutch lever against the handlebar.
5. Press the starter button to start the motorcycle.
6. When the engine has started, you can operate your motorcycle as you normally would after raising the jiffy stand.



## Shifting Gears

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### Shifting while Stopped, Engine Off

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Squeeze in the clutch lever to fully disengage the clutch. Gears may not engage because the transmission shafts are not turning and shifter components are not lined up. Rock the motorcycle backward and forward while lightly pressing on the shift lever.

### Starting from a Stop

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#### CAUTION

The clutch must be fully disengaged before attempting a gear shift. Failure to fully disengage the clutch can result in equipment damage. (00182a)

NOTE:

*Always start the engine with the transmission in neutral. Always start forward motion in first gear.*

1. With the engine running and the jiffy stand retracted, pull the clutch hand lever in against the handlebar grip to fully disengage the clutch.
2. Press the gear shift lever down to end of its travel and release. The transmission is now in first gear.
3. Ease out the clutch lever and at the same time, gradually open the throttle.

## Upshift (Acceleration)

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See Upshift Sequence: Sportster Models. Engage the next higher gear when the motorcycle reaches the shifting speed. Refer to Upshift (Acceleration) Road Speeds\*.

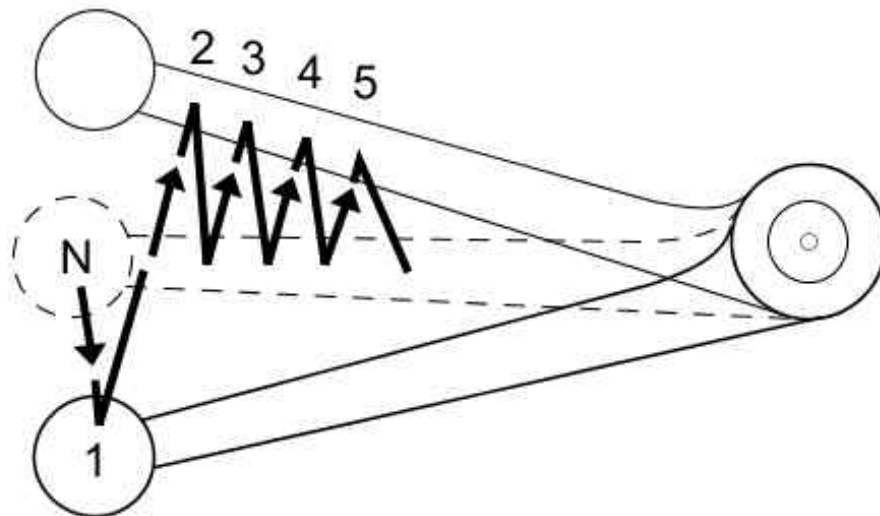
**Upshift (Acceleration) Road Speeds\***

| GEAR CHANGE  | mph | km/h |
|--|-----|------|
| First to second  | 15  | 25   |
| Second to third  | 25  | 40   |
| Third to fourth  | 35  | 55   |
| Fourth to fifth  | 45  | 70   |
| * The listed speeds are recommendations. Individual riding styles may determine gear change road speeds. |     |      |

1. Close the throttle.
2. Disengage the clutch (pull the clutch lever in).
3. Lift the gear shift lever up to the end of its travel and release.
4. Ease out the clutch lever and gradually open the throttle.

NOTES:

- *Disengage the clutch completely before each gear change.*
- *Partially close the throttle so the engine will not drag when clutch is again engaged (clutch lever released).*



Upshift Sequence: Sportster Models

## Downshift (Deceleration)

### ⚠ WARNING

**Do not downshift at speeds higher than those listed. Shifting to lower gears when speed is too high can cause the rear wheel to lose traction and lead to loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00045b)**

See Downshift Sequence: Sportster Models. When engine speed decreases, as when climbing a hill or slowing for a turn, shift to the next lower gear. Refer to Downshift (Deceleration) Road Speeds\*.

Downshift (Deceleration) Road Speeds\*

| GEAR CHANGE  | mph | km/h |
|--|-----|------|
| Fifth to fourth  | 40  | 65   |
| Fourth to third  | 30  | 50   |
| Third to second  | 20  | 30   |
| Second to first  | 10  | 15   |
| * The listed speeds are recommendations. Individual riding styles may determine gear change road speeds. |     |      |

1. Close the throttle.
2. Disengage the clutch (pull the clutch lever in).

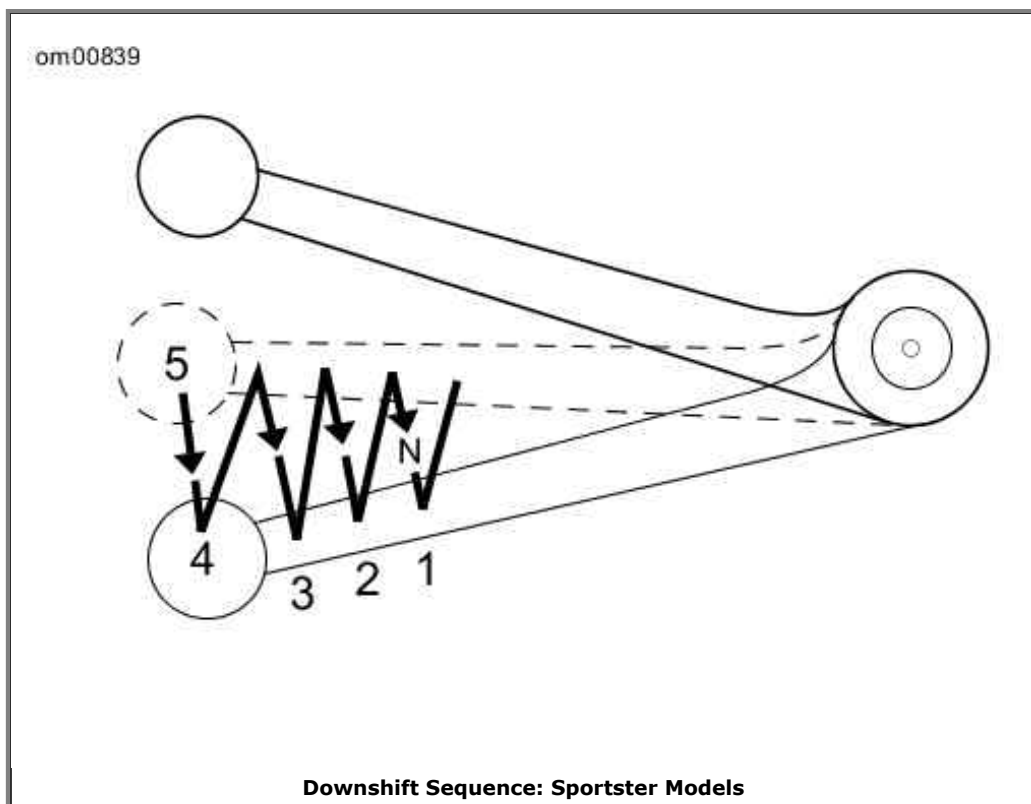
3. Press the gear shift lever down to the end of its travel and release.
4. Ease out the clutch lever and gradually open the throttle.

**NOTES:**

- *Disengage the clutch completely before each gear change.*
- *Partially close the throttle so the engine will not drag when clutch is again engaged (clutch lever released).*

**CAUTION**

**Shift to neutral before stopping engine. Shifting mechanism can be damaged by shifting gears while engine is stopped. (00183a)**



## Stopping the Engine

1. Stop the engine by turning the engine OFF/RUN switch on the right handlebar to OFF.
2. Turn the ignition switch to OFF. If the engine should be stalled or stopped in any way, turn the ignition switch to OFF at once to prevent battery discharge.

## Maintenance and Lubrication

### Safe Operating Maintenance

**⚠ WARNING**

**Perform the service and maintenance operations as**

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**indicated in the regular service interval table. Lack of regular maintenance at the recommended intervals can affect the safe operation of your motorcycle, which could result in death or serious injury. (00010a)**

Good maintenance creates a safe motorcycle. A careful check of certain equipment must be made after periods of storage. Also, frequently inspect the motorcycle between the regular service intervals to determine if additional maintenance is necessary.

Check the following items:

1. Tires for correct pressure, abrasions or cuts.
2. Belt and primary chain for proper tension, wear or damage.
3. Brakes, steering and throttle for responsiveness and freedom from binding.
4. Brake fluid level and condition. Hydraulic lines and fittings for leaks. Also, check brake pads and discs for wear.
5. Cables for fraying or crimping and free operation.
6. Engine oil and primary chaincase/transmission fluid levels.
7. Headlamp, tail lamp, brake lamp and turn signals for proper operation.

## **Break-in Maintenance**

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*NOTE:*

*The performance of new motorcycle initial service is required to keep your new motorcycle warranty in force and for proper emissions system operation.*

After a new motorcycle has been ridden its first 1000 mi 1600 km , it should be taken to an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer for initial service operations. Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models.

## **Engine Lubrication**

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### **⚠CAUTION**

**Prolonged or repeated contact with used motor oil may be harmful to skin and could cause skin cancer. Promptly wash affected areas with soap and water. (00358b)**

### **⚠CAUTION**

**If swallowed, do not induce vomiting. Contact a physician immediately. In case of contact with eyes, immediately flush with water. Contact a physician if irritation persists. (00357c)**

### **CAUTION**

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**Do not switch lubricant brands indiscriminately because some lubricants interact chemically when mixed. Use of inferior lubricants can damage the engine. (00184a)**

Engine oil is a major factor in the performance and service life of the engine. Always use the proper grade of oil for the lowest temperature expected before the next scheduled oil change. Your authorized dealer has the proper oil to suit your requirements. Refer to Recommended Engine Oils.

If it is necessary to add oil and Harley-Davidson oil is not available, use an oil certified for diesel engines. Acceptable diesel engine oil designations include: CH-4, CI-4 and CJ-4.

The preferred viscosities for the diesel engine oils in descending order are: 20W50, 15W40 and 10W40.

At the first opportunity, see an authorized dealer to change back to 100 percent Harley-Davidson oil.

**Recommended Engine Oils**

| <b>H-D TYPE</b>                                       | <b>VISCOSITY</b> | <b>H-D RATING</b> | <b>LOWEST AMBIENT TEMPERATURE</b> | <b>COLD WEATHER STARTS BELOW 50 °F (10 °C)</b> |
|---|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| H-D Multi-grade                                       | SAE 10W40        | HD 360            | Below 40 °F 4 °C                  | Excellent                                      |
| Screamin' Eagle SYN3 Synthetic Motorcycle Lubricant   | SAE 20W50        | HD 360            | Above 40 °F 4 °C                  | Excellent                                      |
| Screamin' Eagle Synthetic Blend Motorcycle Engine Oil | SAE 20W50        | HD 360            | Above 40 °F 4 °C                  | Good   |
| H-D Multi-grade                                       | SAE 20W50        | HD 360            | Above 40 °F 4 °C                  | Good   |
| H-D Regular Heavy                                     | SAE 50           | HD 360            | Above 60 °F 16 °C                 | Poor   |
| H-D Extra Heavy                                       | SAE 60           | HD 360            | Above 80 °F 27 °C                 | Poor   |

## Checking and Adding Oil

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## Removing and Replacing Oil Filler Cap

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1. Park the motorcycle on level ground on the jiffy stand.
2. See Filler Cap/Dipstick Location. Remove the filler cap from the oil tank.
  - a. Press straight down on the filler cap and release. The cap will pop up.
  - b. Pull up on the filler cap while turning counterclockwise one-quarter turn as if removing

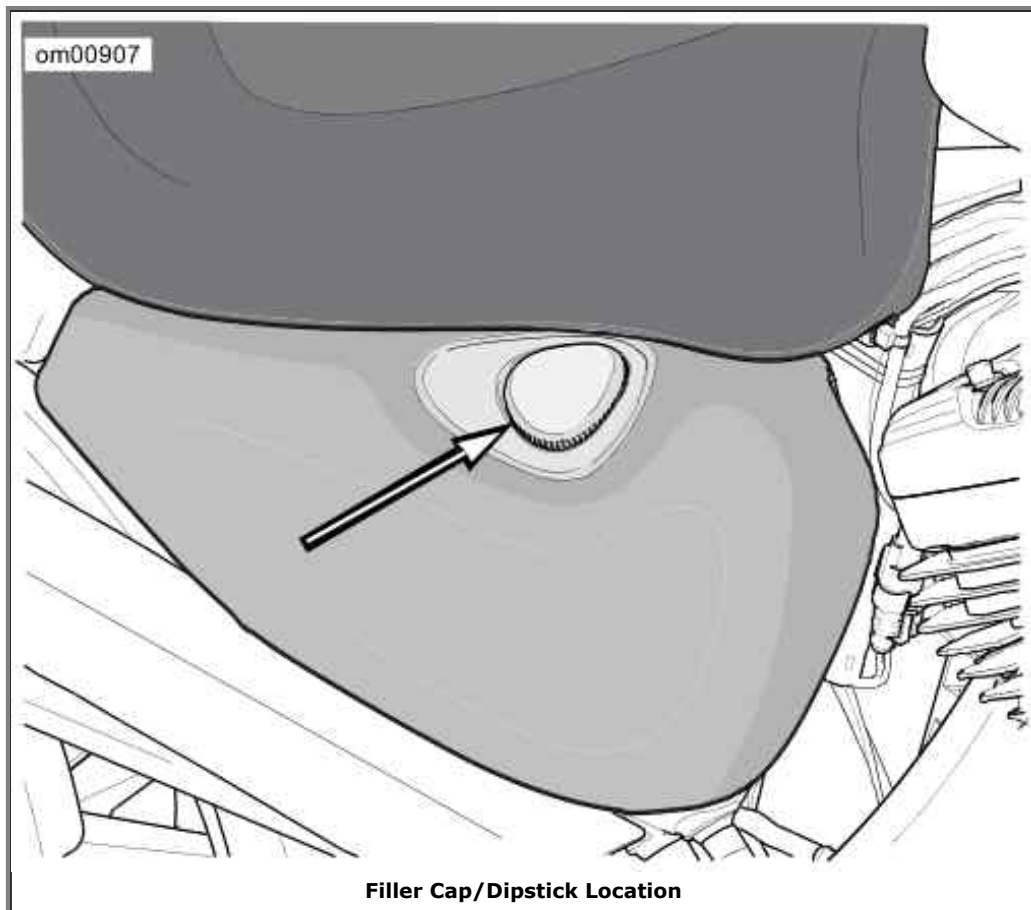
the filler cap.

3. Wipe the dipstick clean.

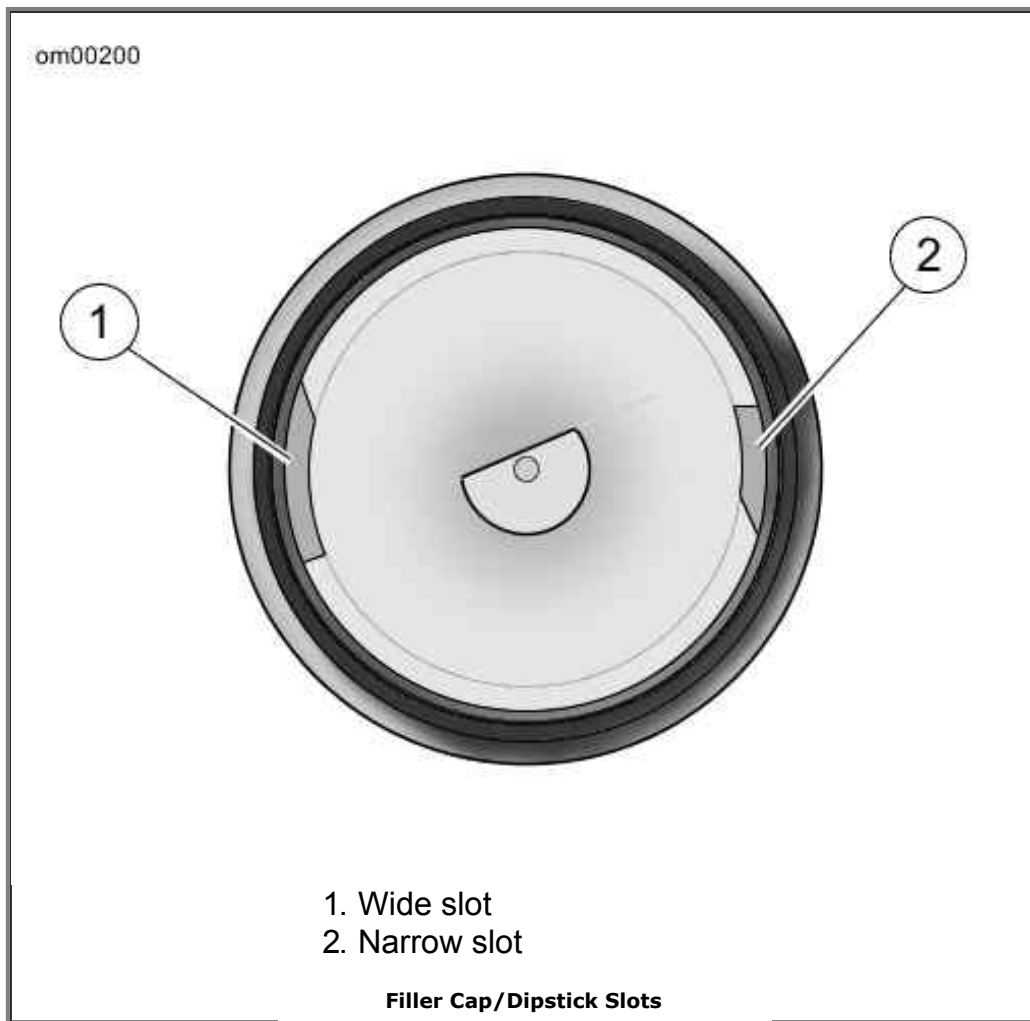
*NOTE:*

*See Filler Cap/Dipstick Slots. Insert the dipstick with the wide slot (1) and the narrow slot (2) matched to the wide tab and narrow tab inside the oil tank filler neck.*

4. Insert the dipstick into the tank.
  - a. Turn the filler cap clockwise one-quarter turn as if screwing the filler cap into tank. When the filler cap stops turning, it is seated.
  - b. Press down on the filler cap until it snaps in place, flush with the top of the oil tank cover.







## Oil Level Cold Check

### NOTES:

- Check engine oil level at each complete fuel refill.
- An accurate engine oil check can only be made with the engine at operating temperature (Hot Check).

1. Park the motorcycle on level ground on the jiffy stand.
2. Remove the filler cap and wipe the dipstick clean. Install the oil filler cap in tank.
3. Remove oil filler cap again and visually check for oil in the tank.
4. If oil is not visible in the tank, install the filler cap.

### NOTE:

*If the oil pressure lamp stays lit after starting engine, immediately shut the engine off.*

5. Start and idle the engine for 30 seconds. Stop the engine.
6. Remove oil filler cap and visually check for oil in the tank.

### CAUTION

**Do not overfill oil tank. Doing so can result in oil carryover to the air cleaner leading to equipment damage and/or**  
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## equipment malfunction. (00190a)

### NOTE:

*Use only recommended oil. Recommended viscosity depends upon ambient temperature. Refer to Recommended Engine Oils.*

7. If there is no oil visible in the tank, add oil until it is present on the bottom of the dipstick.
8. When oil is present on the bottom of the dipstick, perform a hot check.

## Oil Level Hot Check

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1. Run the engine until the engine oil is at operating temperature.
2. Idle the motorcycle on the jiffy stand for one to two minutes. Turn the engine off.
3. Park the motorcycle on level ground on the jiffy stand.
4. Remove the filler cap. Wipe the dipstick clean and install the filler cap in the tank.

### CAUTION

**Do not allow hot oil level to fall below Add/Fill mark on dipstick. Doing so can result in equipment damage and/or equipment malfunction. (00189a)**

### NOTES:

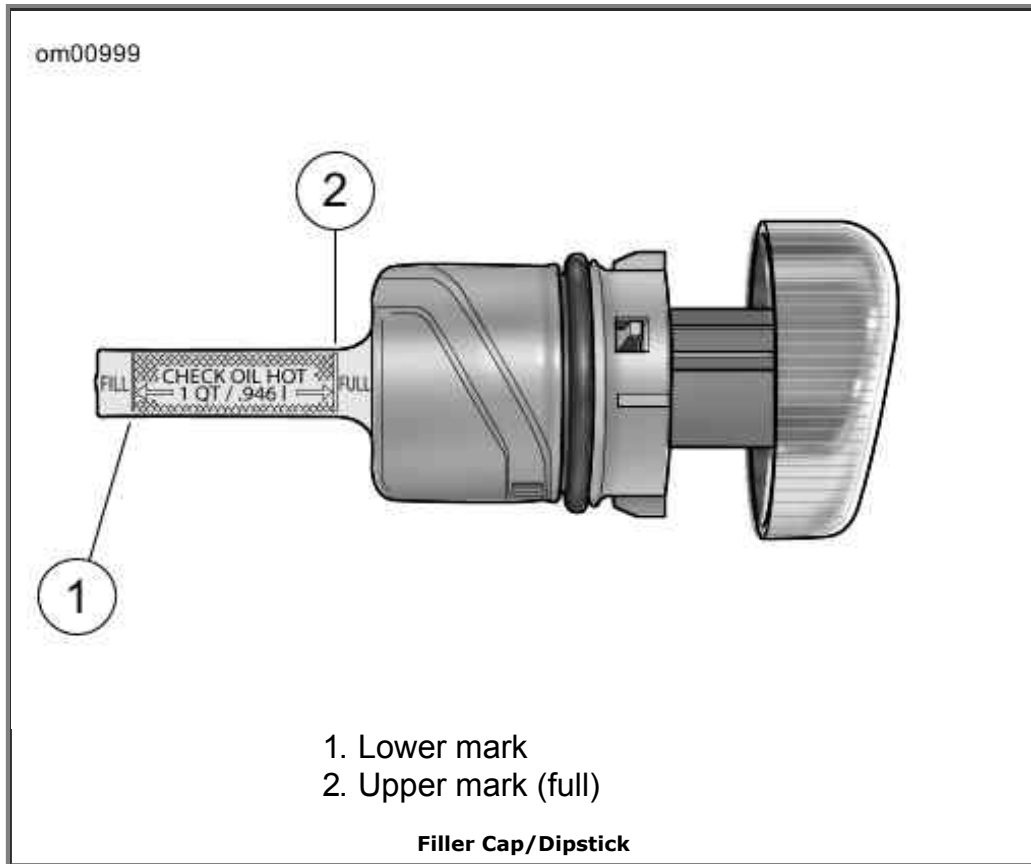
- *Use only recommended oil. Recommended viscosity depends upon ambient temperature. Refer to Recommended Engine Oils.*
- *Do not overfill the oil tank. The oil tank has a built-in pressure relief valve. If the oil tank is overfilled, excessive pressure is created in the oil tank. The pressure relief valve will open to relieve the pressure and prevent damage to the oil tank. Excessive oil due to overfilling will also be forced out the pressure relief valve when it opens.*

### CAUTION

**Do not overfill oil tank. Doing so can result in oil carryover to the air cleaner leading to equipment damage and/or equipment malfunction. (00190a)**

5. See Filler Cap/Dipstick. Remove the filler cap and check the hot oil level on the dipstick.
  - a. **Below the Lower Mark:** Add only enough oil until the level reads between the upper and lower marks.
  - b. **Between the Upper and Lower Marks:** It is safe to operate the motorcycle.
  - c. **At (or above) the Upper Mark:** Drain the oil until the level reads between the upper and lower marks.
6. Install the filler cap.

7. If oil was added, remove the filler cap and verify the engine oil level in the oil tank. Do not fill oil tank to a level above upper mark on the dipstick. Install the filler cap.



## Changing Oil and Filter

### CAUTION

**Do not switch lubricant brands indiscriminately because some lubricants interact chemically when mixed. Use of inferior lubricants can damage the engine. (00184a)**

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models. Completely drain oil tank of used oil at scheduled service intervals. Refill with fresh oil.

#### NOTES:

- Oil should be changed at specified intervals in normal service at warm or moderate temperatures. Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models.
- Oil change intervals should be more frequent in cold weather or severe operating conditions. See Winter Lubrication.
- If vehicle is driven extremely hard, used in competition, or driven on dusty roads, change engine oil at shorter intervals.
- Always change oil filter when changing engine oil.

### WARNING

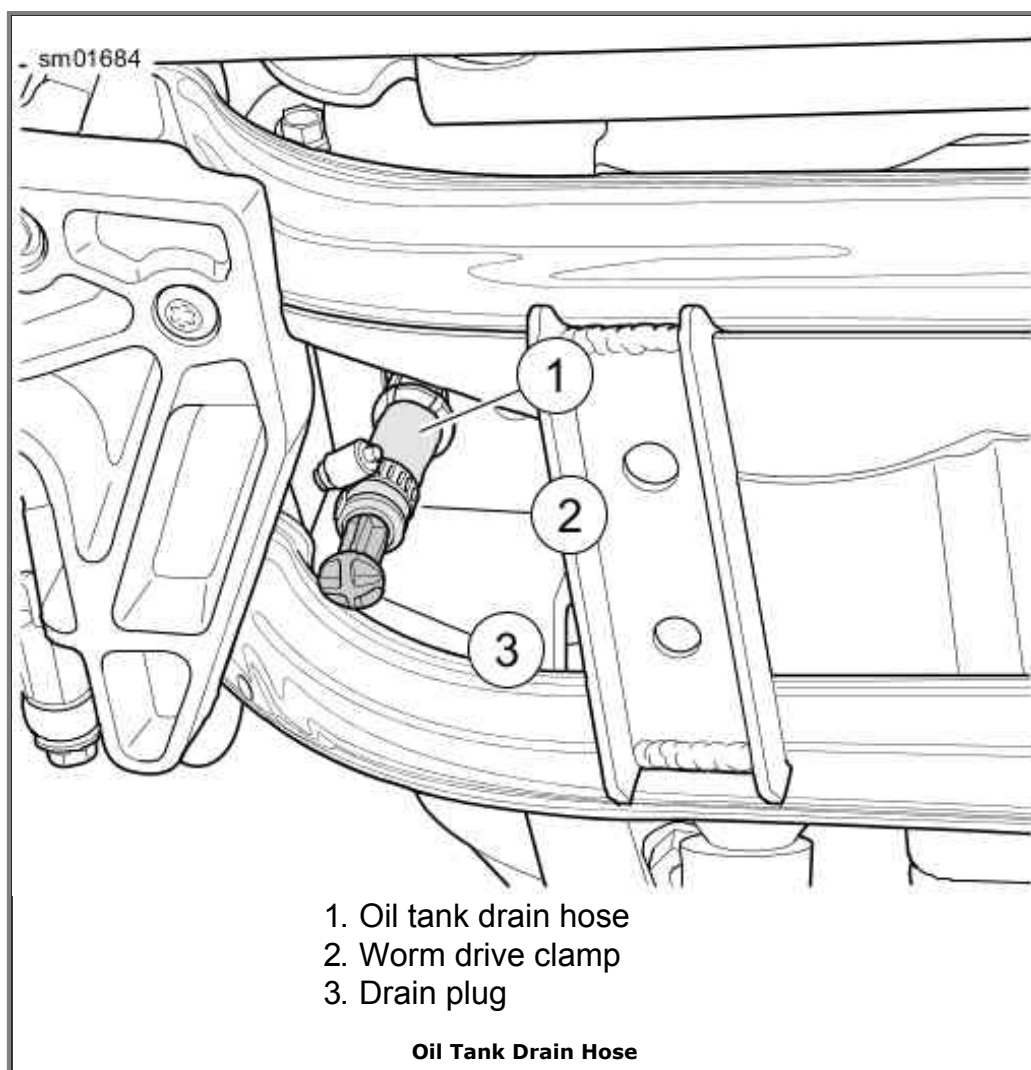
**Be sure that no lubricants or fluids get on tires, wheels or brakes when changing fluid. Traction can be adversely affected, which could result in loss of control of the motorcycle and death or serious injury. (00047d)**

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## Draining Oil Tank

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1. Run engine until engine oil has reached normal operating temperature.
2. Remove oil filler cap/dipstick from oil tank. Oil will drain faster when filler cap/dipstick is removed.
3. See Oil Tank Drain Hose. Place a suitable container directly under the drain hose (1) at the bottom rear of the engine crankcase. The container must be able to hold approximately 3.0 qt 2.8 L .
4. Loosen worm drive clamp (2) and pull drain plug (3) from end of drain hose. Completely drain engine oil from oil tank. It is not necessary to drain engine crankcase.
5. Install drain plug into end of drain hose and tighten worm drive clamp securely.



## Removing Oil Filter

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1. Place a drain pan beneath front of engine crankcase.

### CAUTION

Use Harley-Davidson oil filter wrench for filter removal.

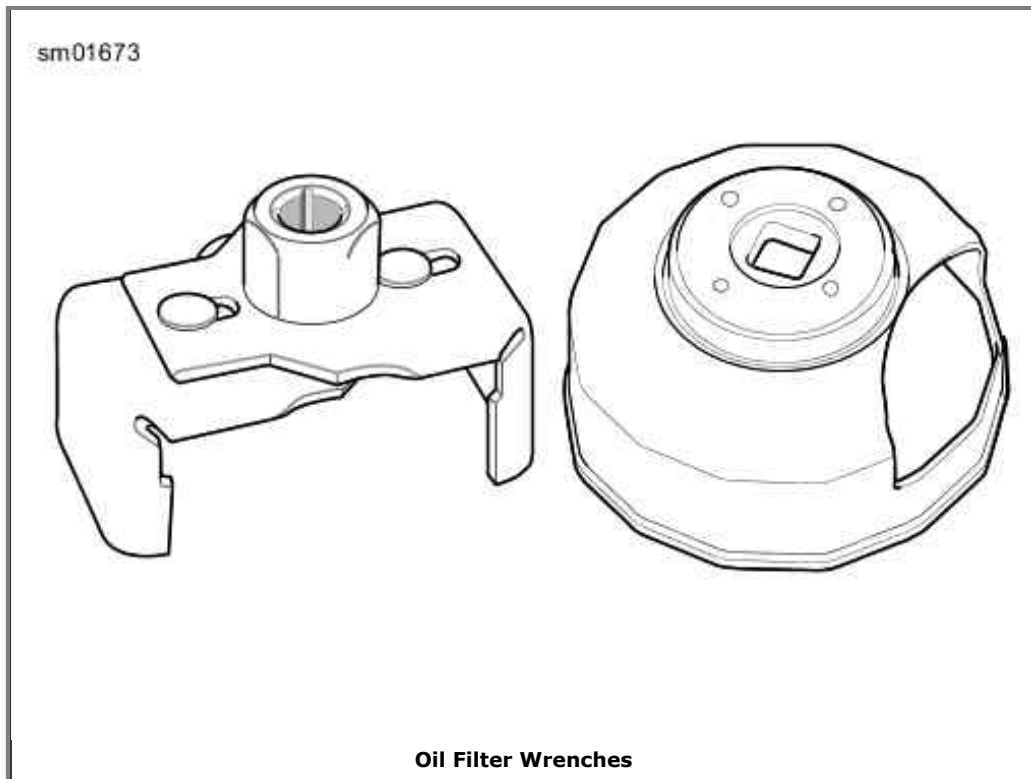
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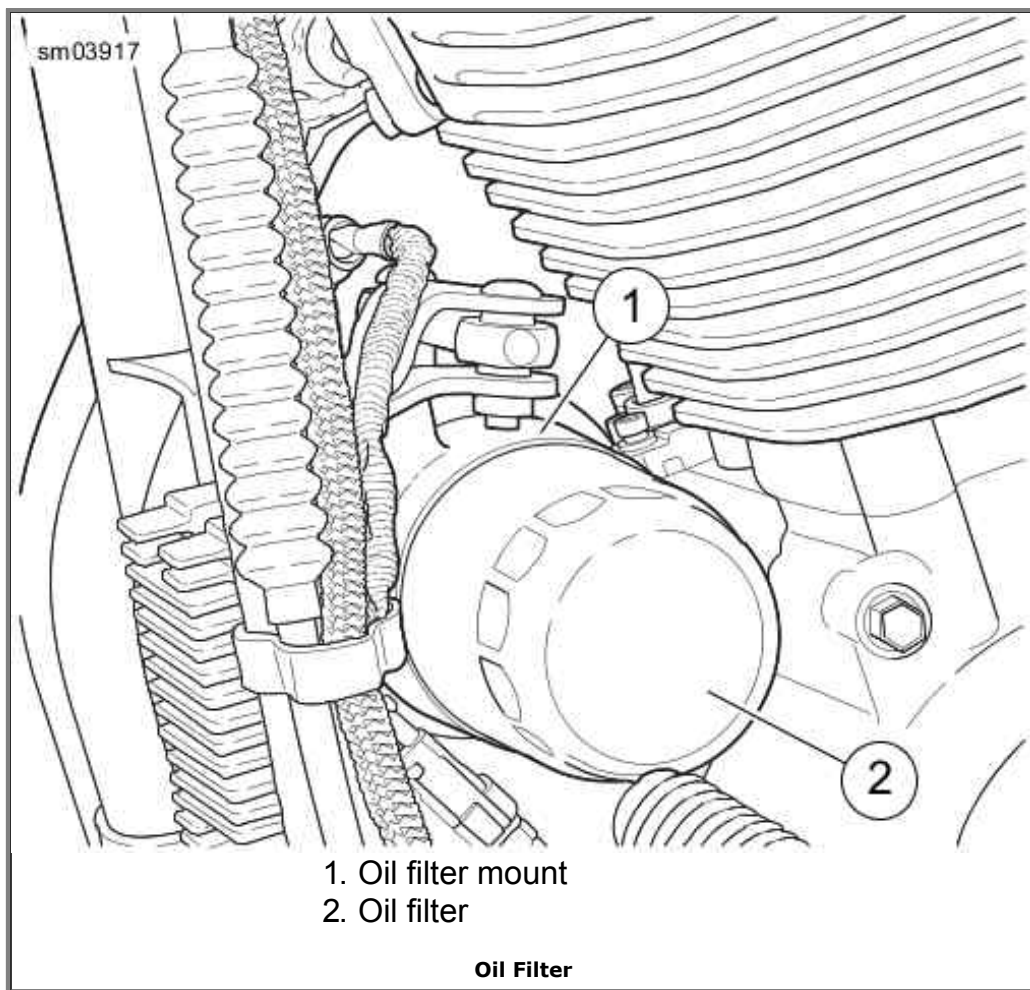
**This tool can prevent damage to crankshaft position sensor and/or sensor cable. (00192b)**

2. See Oil Filter Wrenches and Oil Filter. Remove oil filter using HARLEY-DAVIDSON OIL FILTER WRENCH HD-42311 or HARLEY-DAVIDSON OIL FILTER WRENCH HD-44067-A . Turn oil filter counterclockwise to remove from filter mount.
3. Drain oil filter into drain pan. Discard oil filter.
4. Clean any oil spills off crankcase and frame.

*NOTE:*

*Dispose of oil and oil filter in accordance with local regulations.*





## Installing Oil Filter

*NOTE:*

*Partially fill oil filter before installation to minimize the time required for buildup of oil pressure when engine is first started.*

1. Pour about 4 fl oz 120 mL of fresh, clean engine oil into **new** oil filter. Allow time for oil to soak into filter element.
2. See Applying Thin Oil Film. Wipe filter gasket contact surface of oil filter mount with a clean cloth. Surface should be smooth and free of any debris or old gasket material.
3. Apply a thin film of oil to gasket contact surface on crankcase (3), gasket and **new** oil filter.

*NOTE:*

*Do not use oil filter wrench to install new oil filter.*

4. Install **new** oil filter. Screw filter clockwise onto adapter until gasket contacts the filter mount surface. Then hand tighten an additional 1/2-3/4-turn to secure the oil filter.

## Refilling Oil Tank

### CAUTION

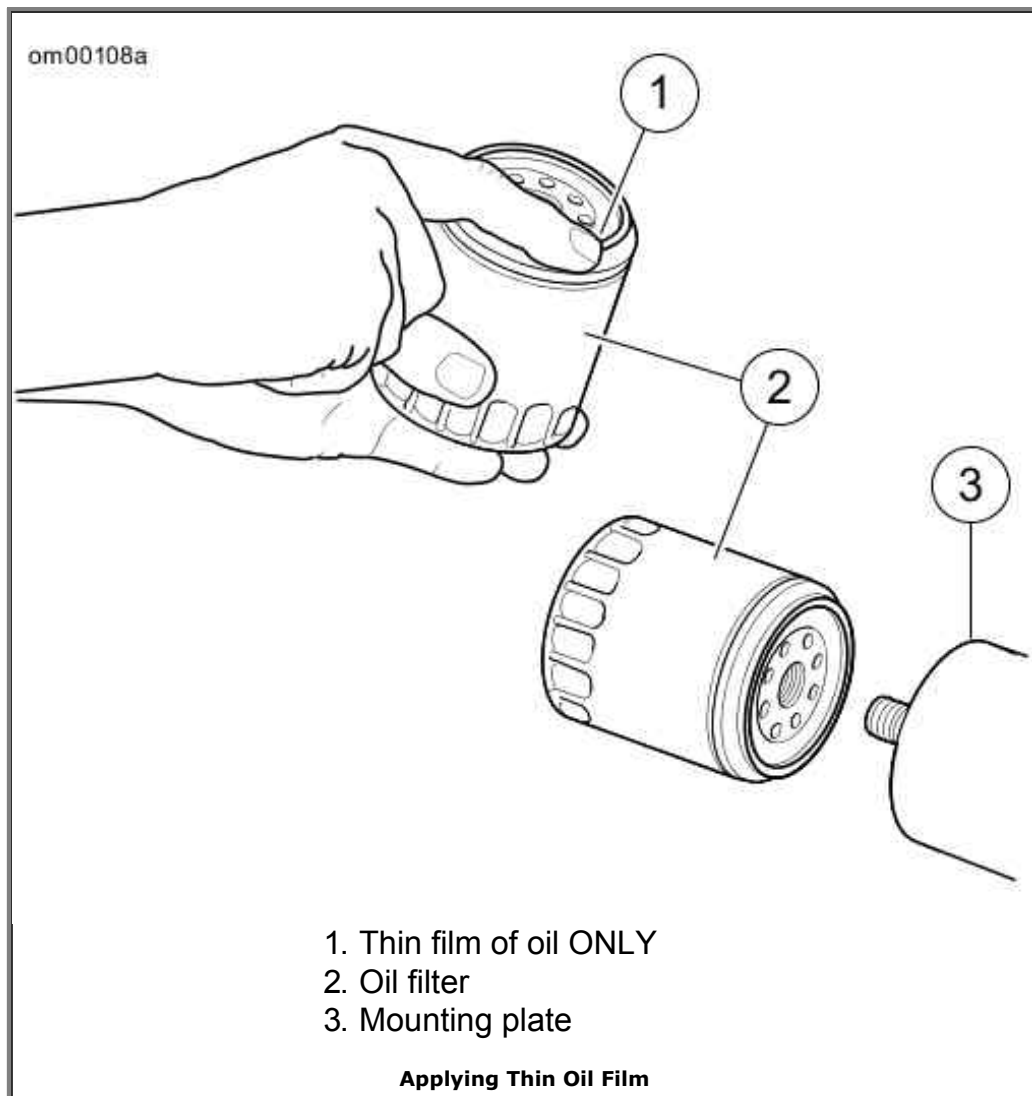
**Do not overfill oil tank. Doing so can result in oil carryover**  
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**to the air cleaner leading to equipment damage and/or equipment malfunction. (00190a)**

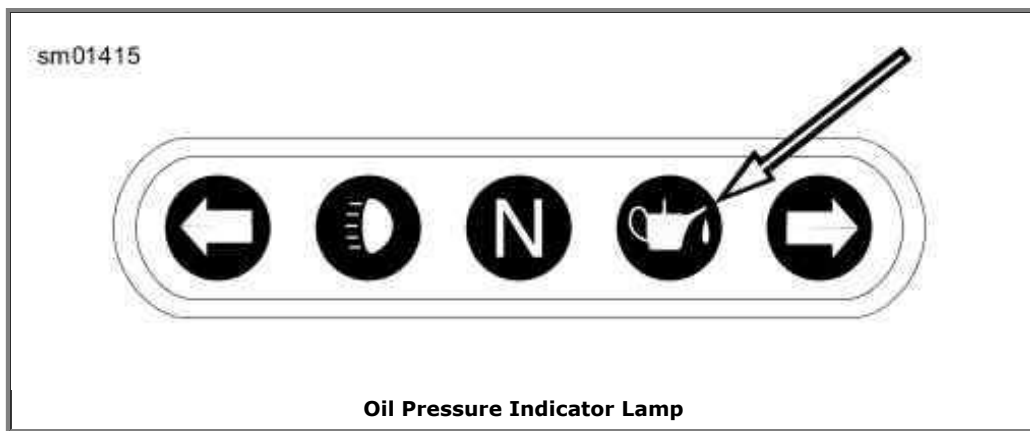
*NOTE:*

*Do not overfill the oil tank. The oil tank has a built-in pressure relief valve. If the oil tank is overfilled, excessive pressure is created in the oil tank. The pressure relief valve will open to relieve the pressure and prevent damage to the oil tank. Excessive oil due to overfilling will also be forced out the pressure relief valve when it opens.*

1. Refer to Recommended Engine Oils. Always use the proper grade of oil for the lowest expected air temperature before the next regularly scheduled oil change. Pour 2.0 qt 1.9 L of oil into engine oil tank.



2. Install filler cap/dipstick in oil tank. Make sure cap is fully seated.
3. See Oil Pressure Indicator Lamp. Start engine. Verify that oil pressure signal lamp turns off when engine speed is 1000 rpm or above. Turn engine off.
4. Check for oil leaks at oil filter and oil tank drain hose. Perform oil level hot check.



## Winter Lubrication

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In colder climates, the engine oil should be changed often. If motorcycle is used frequently for short trips, less than 15 mi 24 km , in ambient temperatures below 60 °F 16 °C , oil change intervals should be reduced to 1500 mi 2400 km . Motorcycles used only for short runs must have a thorough tank flush-out before **new** oil is put in. The tank flush-out should be performed by an authorized dealer or qualified technician.

*NOTE:*

*The further below freezing the temperature drops, the shorter the oil change interval should be.*

Water vapor is a normal by-product of combustion in any engine. During cold weather operation, some of the water vapor condenses to liquid form on the cool metal surfaces inside the engine. In freezing weather this water will become slush or ice and, if allowed to accumulate too long, may block the oil lines and cause damage to the engine.

If the engine is run frequently and allowed to thoroughly warm up, most of this water will become vapor again and will be blown out through the crankcase breather.

If the engine is not run frequently and allowed to thoroughly warm up, this water will accumulate, mix with the engine oil and form a sludge that is harmful to the engine.

## Transmission Lubrication

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Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models. The transmission should be drained and refilled with fresh lubricant at proper intervals. For best results, drain lubricant while hot.

*NOTE:*

*When checking the transmission lubricant level, motorcycle should be standing STRAIGHT UP, not leaning on the jiffy stand. Keep motorcycle upright for a short period of time to equalize lubricant level in the transmission compartments.*

### CAUTION

**When draining or adding lubricant, do not allow dirt, debris or other contaminants to enter the engine. (00198a)**

### WARNING



**Be sure that no lubricants or fluids get on tires, wheels or brakes when changing fluid. Traction can be adversely affected, which could result in loss of control of the motorcycle and death or serious injury. (00047d)**

### CAUTION

**Do not overfill the primary chaincase with lubricant. Overfilling can cause rough clutch engagement, incomplete disengagement, clutch drag and/or difficulty in finding neutral at engine idle. (00199b)**

## Check Lubricant Level

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1. Ride motorcycle until engine is warmed up to normal operating temperature.
2. Position motorcycle straight up.

### ⚠ WARNING

**To prevent accidental vehicle start-up, which could cause death or serious injury, remove main fuse before proceeding. (00251b)**

3. Remove main fuse. See Fuses and Relays.
4. **XL Models with Mid-Mount Foot Controls:** See Mid-Mount Rider Footrest Assembly: XL Models. Remove screws and detach the rider footrest support bracket from the left side of the vehicle.
5. **XR 1200X:** See Rider Footrest Assembly (Left Side): XR 1200X. Remove screws and detach the rider footrest support bracket from the left side of the vehicle. With the shift linkage still attached, lower the footrest assembly to access the clutch inspection cover screws.
6. See Primary Cover: XL Model. Remove screws with washers from clutch inspection cover. Remove clutch inspection cover from primary cover.

*NOTE:*

*The filler access is the clutch inspection cover.*

7. See Chaincase Lubricant Level. Verify that lubricant level is even with bottom of clutch diaphragm spring.

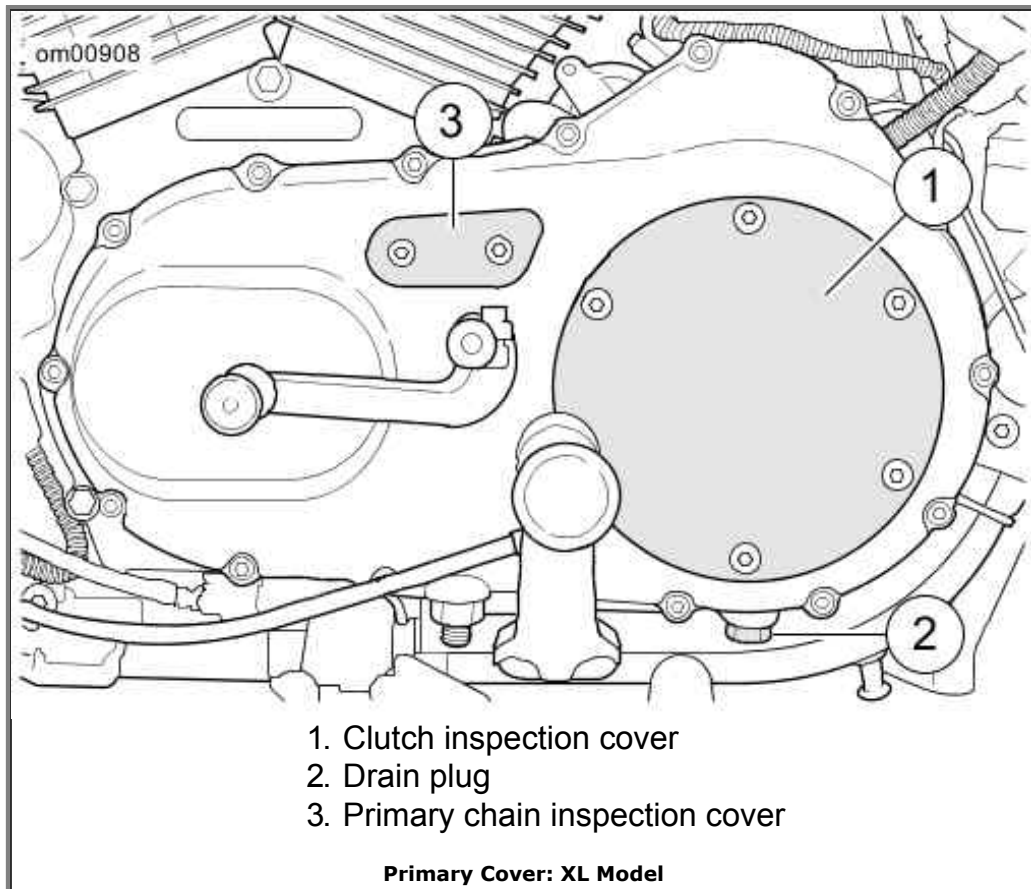
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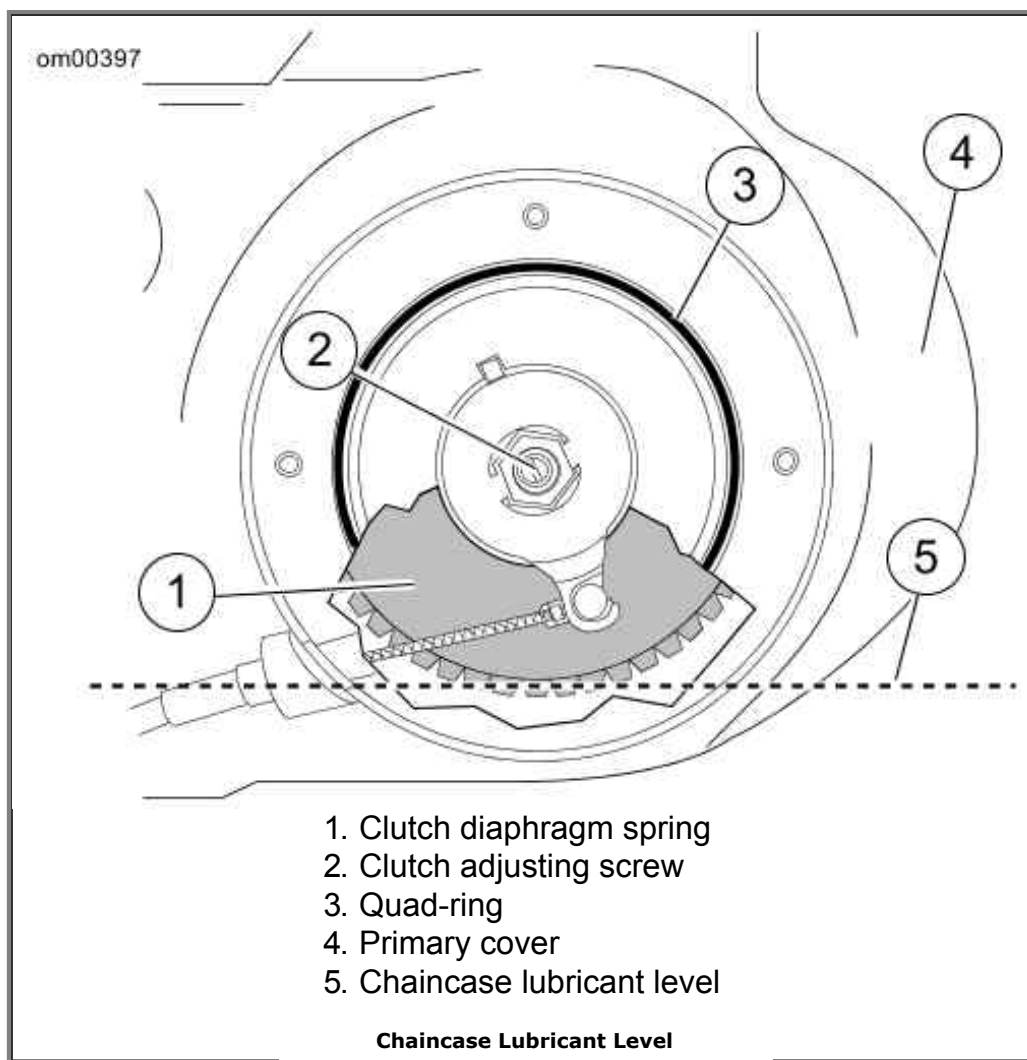
*Add only enough of GENUINE Harley-Davidson FORMULA+ TRANSMISSION AND PRIMARY CHAINCASE LUBRICANT (Part No. 98851-05 quart) through clutch inspection cover opening until the lubricant reaches the bottom of clutch diaphragm spring.*

8. Install **new** quad ring. Verify that quad ring is fully seated in groove of primary cover. Install clutch inspection cover and secure with six screws. Tighten screws in a crosswise pattern to <https://www.motorcycle-manual.com/>

90-120 in-lbs (10.2-13.6 Nm).

9. If the left footrest assembly was removed, install support bracket with two screws. Tighten screws to 45-50 ft-lbs (61.0-67.8 Nm).
10. Install main fuse.
11. Start engine. Check for any lubricant leaks.
12. Turn engine off.





## Changing Lubricant

1. Ride motorcycle until engine is warmed up to normal operating temperature.
2. When the engine reaches normal operating temperature, turn the engine off and position motorcycle on jiffy stand. This will allow the chaincase lubricant to drain out of transmission.

### **⚠ WARNING**

**To prevent accidental vehicle start-up, which could cause death or serious injury, remove main fuse before proceeding. (00251b)**

3. Remove main fuse. See Fuses and Relays.
4. See Primary Cover: XL Model. Position a suitable container under transmission drain plug (2).
5. The drain plug is located under the clutch, on the underside of the chaincase. Remove drain plug and drain lubricant.
6. Position the motorcycle STRAIGHT UP and LEVEL. This allows additional fluid to be drained from clutch compartment.

NOTE:

*Dispose of lubricant in accordance with local regulations.*

### CAUTION

**Do not over-tighten filler or drain plug. Doing so could result in a lubricant leak. (00200b)**

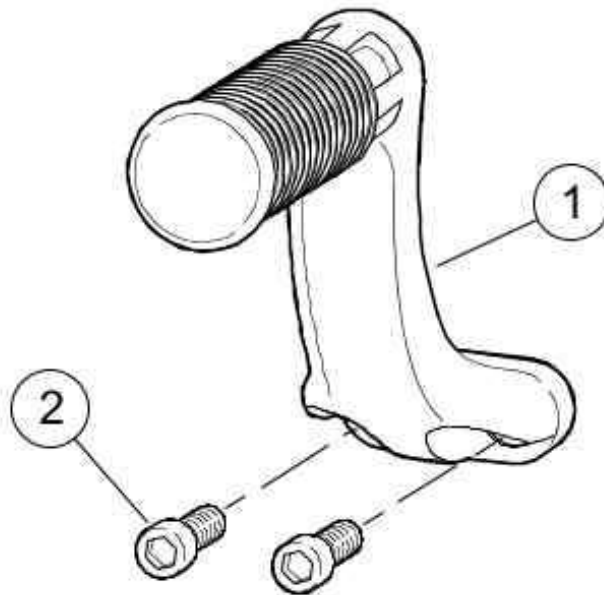
7. Remove foreign material from magnetic drain plug. Replace the O-ring if it is damaged.
8. Apply LOCTITE 565 THREAD SEALANT (Part No. 99818-97) and install drain plug. Tighten to 14-30 ft-lbs (19.0-40.7 Nm).
9. See Mid-Mount Rider Footrest Assembly: XL Models. For XL models equipped with mid-mount foot controls, remove screws and detach the rider footrest support bracket from the left side of the vehicle.
10. See Rider Footrest Assembly (Left Side): XR 1200X. For the XR 1200X, remove screws and detach the rider footrest support bracket from the left side of the vehicle. With the shift linkage still attached, lower the footrest assembly to access the clutch inspection cover screws.
11. See Primary Cover: XL Model. Remove screws with washers from clutch inspection cover. Remove clutch inspection cover from primary cover.

NOTE:

*The filler access is the clutch inspection cover.*

12. See Chaincase Lubricant Level. Add 1.00 U.S. qt 0.95 L of GENUINE Harley-Davidson FORMULA+ TRANSMISSION AND PRIMARY CHAINCASE LUBRICANT (Part No. 98851-05 qt) through clutch inspection cover opening until the lubricant reaches the bottom of clutch diaphragm spring.
13. Install **new** quad ring. Verify that quad ring is fully seated in groove of primary cover. Install clutch inspection cover and secure with six screws. Tighten screws in a crosswise pattern to 90-120 in-lbs (10.2-13.6 Nm).
14. If the left footrest assembly was removed, install support bracket with two screws. Tighten screws to 45-50 ft-lbs (61.0-67.8 Nm).
15. Install main fuse.
16. Start engine. Check for any lubricant leaks.
17. Turn engine off.

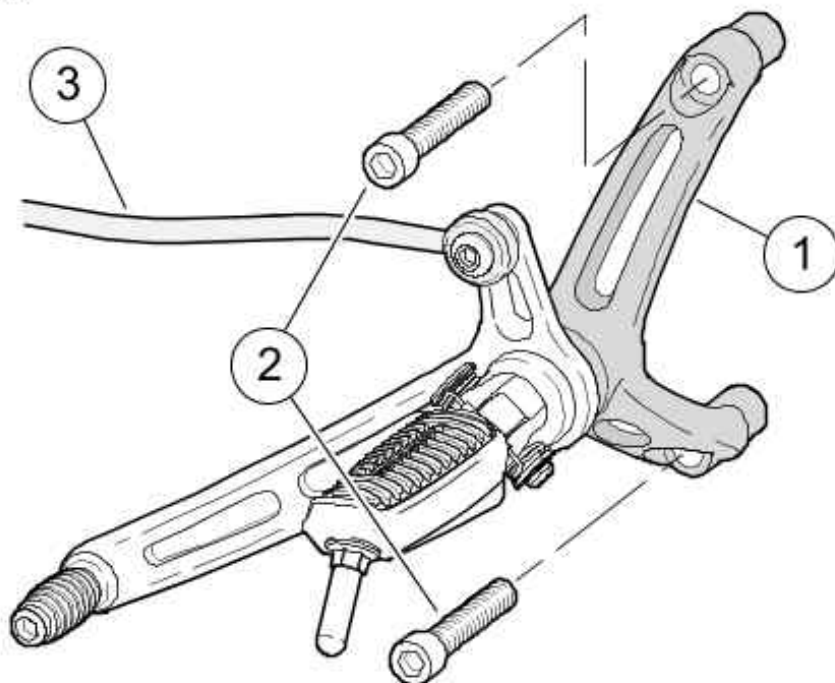
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- 1. Support bracket
- 2. Screws (2)

**Mid-Mount Rider Footrest Assembly: XL**  
**Models**

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- 1. Rider footrest support bracket
- 2. Screws (2)
- 3. Shift linkage

**Rider Footrest Assembly (Left Side): XR**  
**1200X**

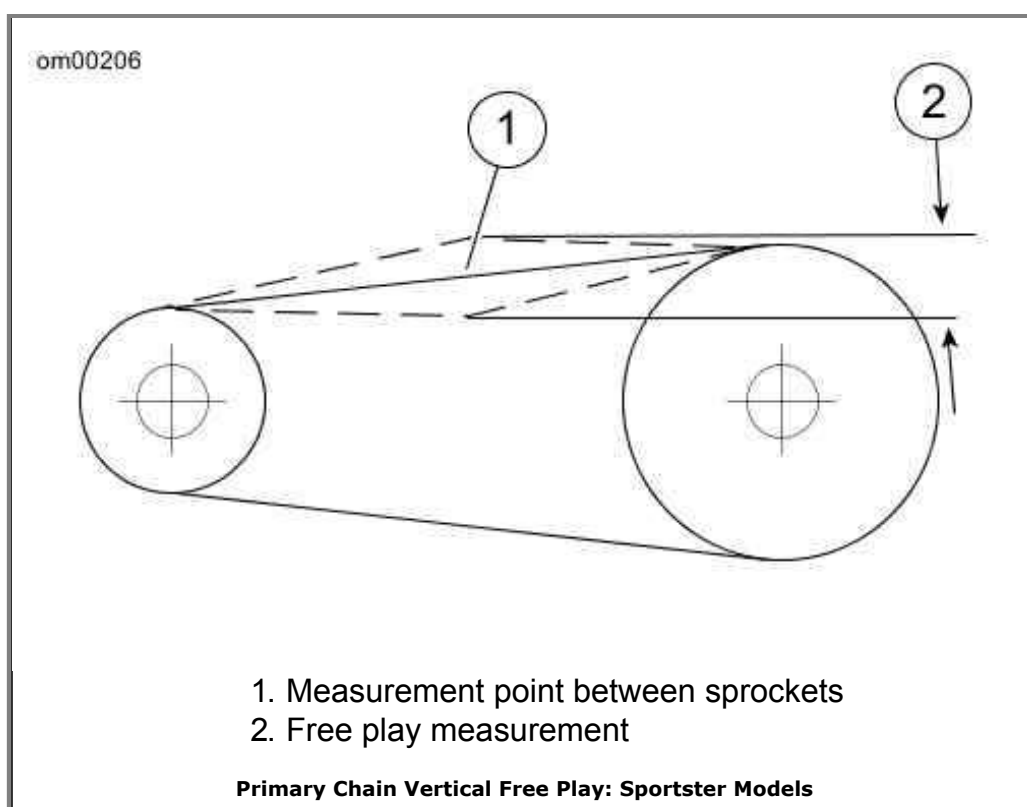
## Primary Chain Adjustment

## General

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models. Primary (front) chain adjustment should be checked at proper intervals and serviced as necessary. If the chain is allowed to run loose, it will cause the motorcycle to jerk when running at low speed, and chain and sprockets will wear excessively. If this happens, see a Harley-Davidson dealer or service manual for adjustment procedure.

**Primary Chain Freeplay Specifications**

| ENGINE | in      | mm       |
|--------|---------|----------|
| Cold   | 3/8-1/2 | 9.5-12.7 |
| Hot    | 1/4-3/8 | 6.3-9.5  |



## Primary Chain Inspection

The primary chain can be inspected and if required, adjusted without removing the primary cover.

### **⚠WARNING**

**To prevent accidental vehicle start-up, which could cause death or serious injury, remove main fuse before proceeding. (00251b)**

1. Remove main fuse. See Fuses and Relays.
2. See Primary Cover: XL Model. Remove the two hex socket screws which secure primary  
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chain inspection cover (3).

3. See Primary Chain Vertical Free Play: Sportster Models. Check primary chain tension by measuring vertical free play.
  - a. Measure vertical free play through chain inspection cover opening.
  - b. Rotate engine to move primary chain to a different position on sprockets.
  - c. Measure vertical free play several times, each time with primary chain moved so that the measurement is taken with sprockets rotated to the tightest chain position.
4. The tightest measurement in previous step must be within the specifications listed in Primary Chain Freeplay Specifications. If necessary, see PRIMARY CHAIN ADJUSTMENT to adjust chain tension.

## Primary Chain Adjustment

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### CAUTION

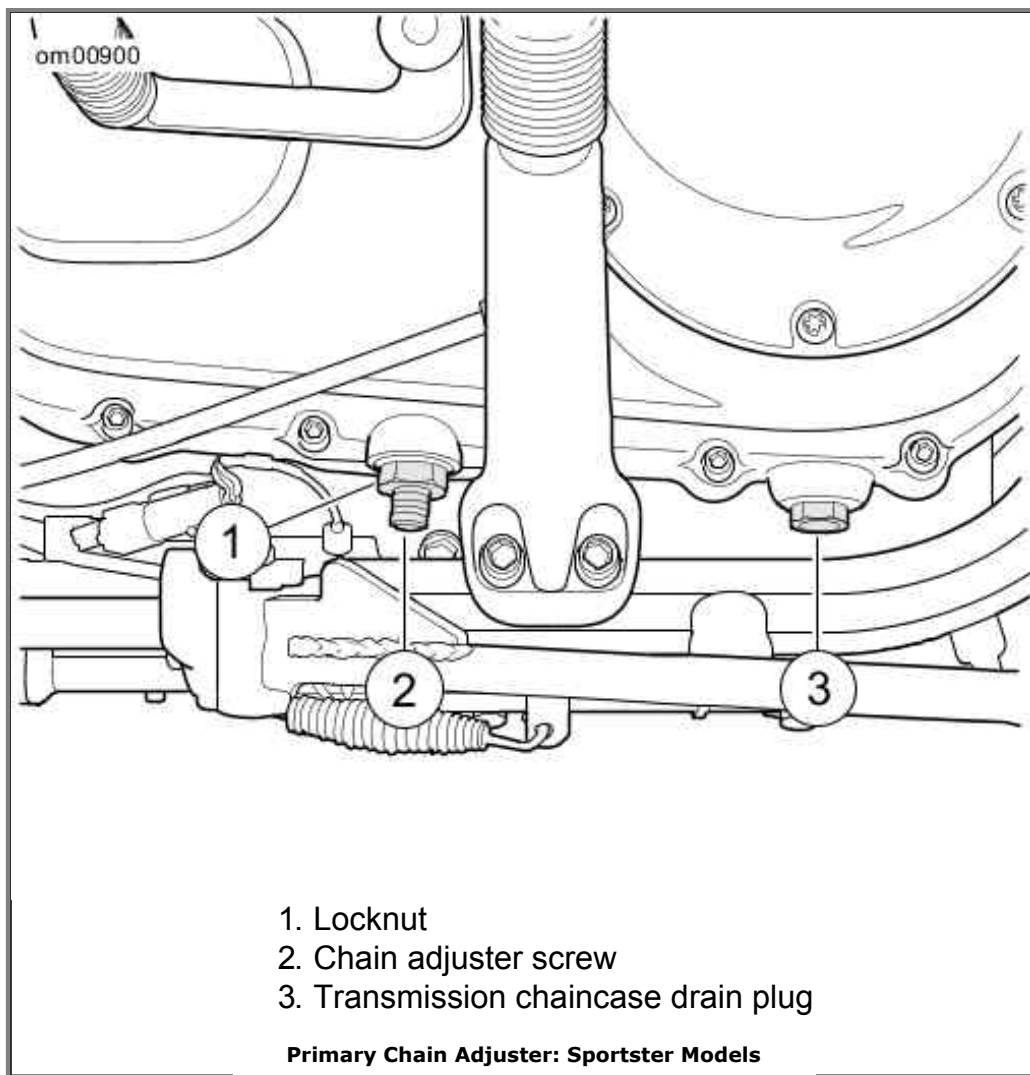
**Do not adjust the primary chain tighter than specified.  
Running chain too tight will result in excessive wear.  
(00202a)**

1. See Primary Chain Adjuster: Sportster Models. Loosen locknut (1).
2. Turn chain adjuster screw (2) clockwise (inward) to reduce free play or counterclockwise (outward) to increase free play. Vertical free play must fall within the limits specified. Refer to Primary Chain Freeplay Specifications.

*NOTE:*

*If vertical free play cannot be set within the limits specified, then primary chain and/or chain adjuster are worn beyond adjustment limits. Replace parts as necessary.*

3. When tension is set correctly, hold chain adjusting screw and tighten locknut to 20-25 ft-lbs (27-34 Nm).
4. Install primary chain inspection cover and **new** gasket. Tighten hex socket screws to 90-120 in-lbs (10.2-13.6 Nm).
5. Install main fuse.



## Checking Drive Belt Deflection

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### General

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The inner tooth surface of the secondary belt has a thin coating of polyethylene lubricant. During initial operation, this coating will wear off as it is burnished into the belt fabric. This is a normal condition and not an indication of belt wear.

### Gauging Deflection

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Check belt deflection at the loosest spot in the belt with the transmission in neutral and the motorcycle at ambient temperature.

1. With the motorcycle unladen and resting on its jiffy stand, fit the BELT TENSION GAUGE HD-35381-A on the belt.
  - a. **XL Models:** See Gauging Belt Deflection: XL Models. Position the gauge half-way between the transmission and rear wheel sprockets.
  - b. **XR 1200X:** See Gauging Belt Deflection: XR 1200X. Fit the tension gauge half-way between the idler wheel and rear sprocket.

2. With the BELT TENSION GAUGE set to 0 lb 0 kg , note the current belt position.

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- a. **XL Models:** See Belt Deflection Window: XL Models. Note the belt position according to the graduations on the belt deflection window located on the drive belt guard.
  - b. **XR 1200X:** See Belt Deflection: XR 1200X. Note the belt position according to the graduations on the front of the debris deflector.
3. Using the BELT TENSION GAUGE, apply 10 lb 4.5 kg of force to the bottom belt. Count the number of graduations between the original belt position and after applying the force. Multiply this number by 1/8 in 3.2 mm to determine the deflection.
  4. Compare the deflection to specifications. Refer to Belt Deflection.
  5. If belt tension adjustment is necessary, see a Harley-Davidson dealer or follow the belt deflection adjustment procedure in the service manual.

### ⚠ WARNING

**Be sure wheel and brake caliper are aligned. Riding with a misaligned wheel or brake caliper can cause the brake disc to bind and lead to loss of control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00050a)**

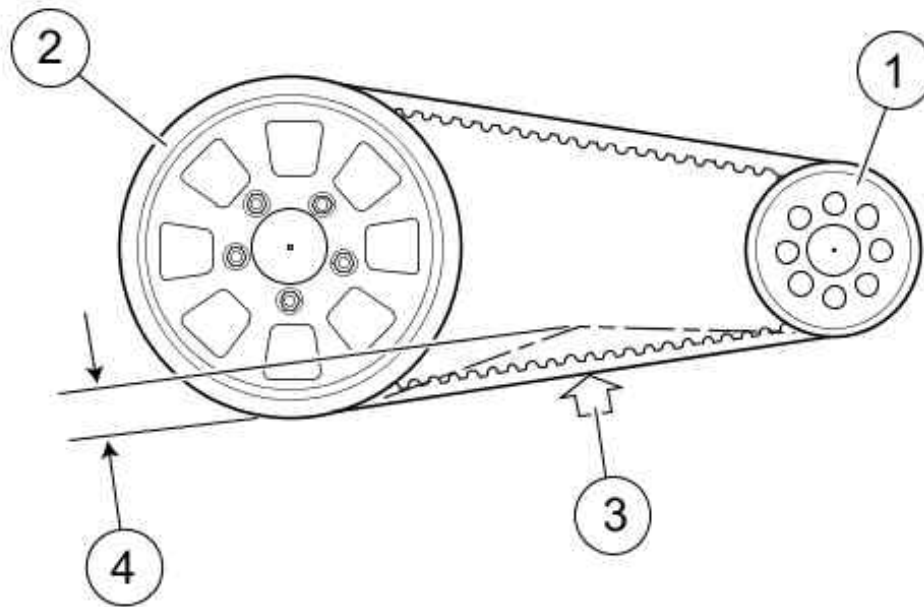
**NOTE:**

*When gauging deflection, check the rear brake caliper position on rear brake disc. Disc should run true within brake caliper.*

**Belt Deflection**

| MODELS          | in       | mm        |
|-----------------|----------|-----------|
| XL 883R         | 9/16-5/8 | 14.3-15.9 |
| Other XL models | 1/4-5/16 | 6.4-7.9   |
| XR 1200X        | 1/4-3/8  | 6.4-9.5   |

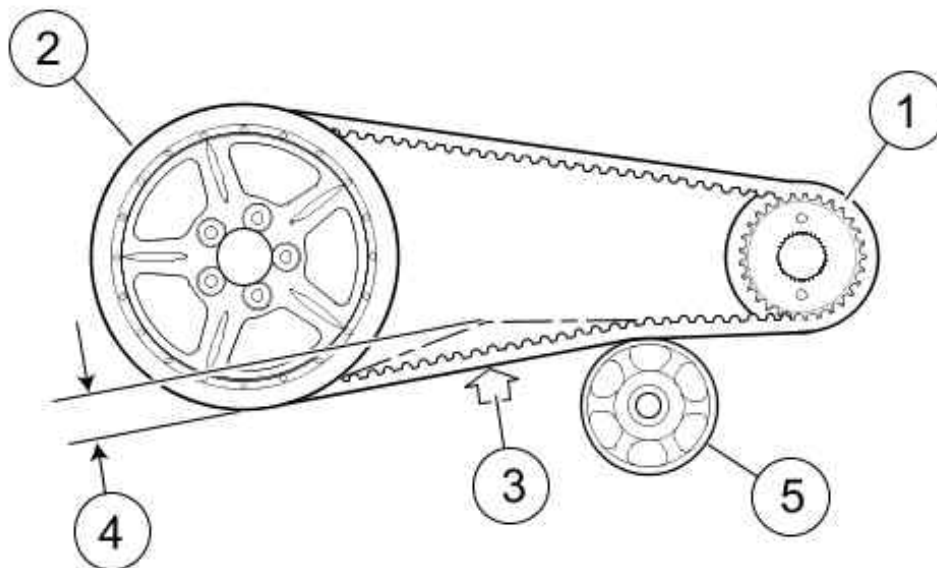
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1. Transmission sprocket
2. Rear wheel sprocket
3. Force of 10 lb (4.5 kg)
4. Deflection (refer to table)

**Gauging Belt Deflection: XL Models**

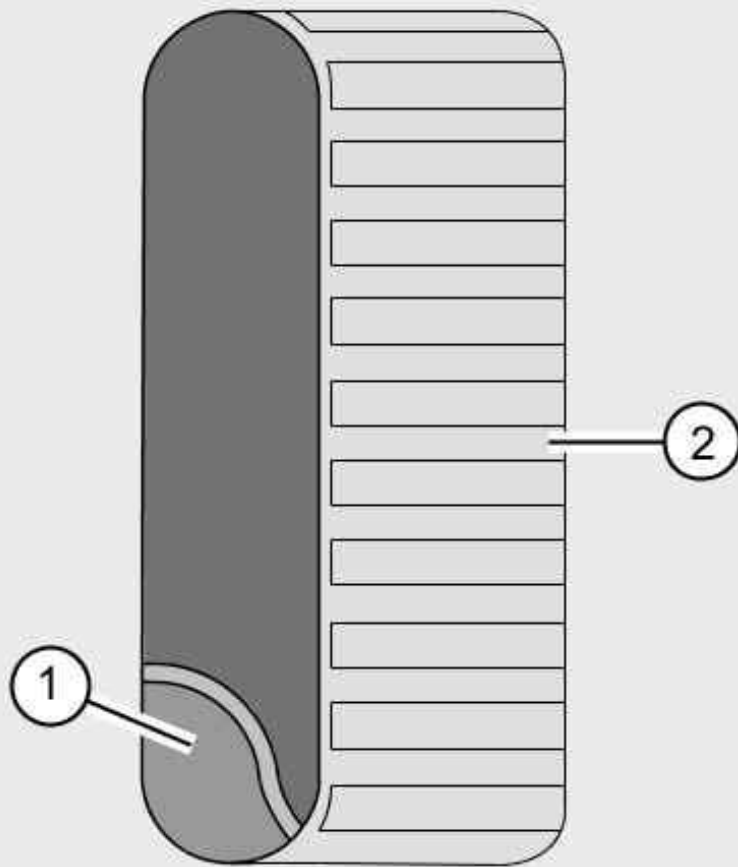
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1. Transmission sprocket
2. Rear wheel sprocket
3. Force of 10 lb (4.5 kg)
4. Deflection (refer to table)
5. Idler wheel

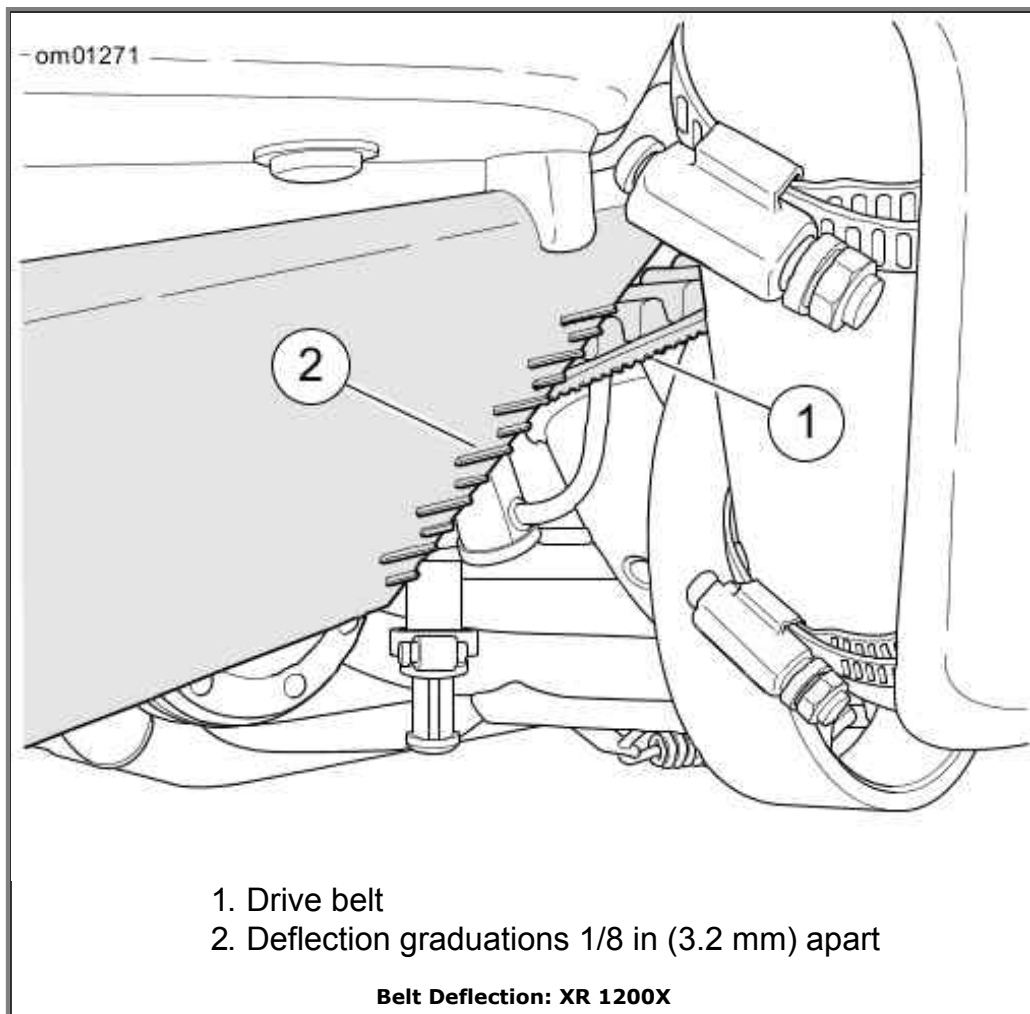
**Gauging Belt Deflection: XR 1200X**

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1. Drive belt
2. Deflection graduations 1/8 in (3.2 mm) apart

**Belt Deflection Window: XL Models**



## Chassis Lubrication

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models for all maintenance schedules.

*NOTE:*

*Use recommended Special Purpose Grease (Part No. 99857-97) for steering head bearings. Use a multipurpose chassis grease for other applications.*

1. Remove and lubricate handlebar throttle control grip sleeve with fresh graphite.
2. Lubricate throttle control cables and clutch control cable.
3. Lubricate front brake hand lever and clutch control hand lever only if necessary.
4. Inspect rear fork pivot shaft bearings.
5. Pack the steering head bearings with Special Purpose Grease (Part No. 99857-97) at the recommended service interval of 30,000 mi 48,000 km .
6. Lubricate the jiffy stand mechanism with SILVER GRADE ANTI-SEIZE (Part No. 98960-97).

*NOTE:*

*For model specific information regarding the chassis lubrication, refer to the appropriate Service Manual or see a Harley-Davidson dealer.*

## Oil Applications

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models for all control connections and parts. Vehicle should be oiled at regular intervals, particularly after washing motorcycle or driving in wet weather.

## Front Fork Oil

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Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models. Have a Harley-Davidson dealer drain the front fork oil and refill at proper intervals. If fork does not appear to be working properly or an appreciable amount of oil leakage should develop, see a Harley-Davidson dealer. If there is insufficient oil in either side of fork, the rebound action will be incorrect.

## Clutch

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### CAUTION

**The clutch control cable must be oiled and adjusted periodically to compensate for lining wear. See MAINTENANCE SCHEDULING in this manual. Failure to oil and adjust the clutch control cable can result in equipment damage. (00203b)**

The need for attention to clutch and controls will be indicated by the clutch slipping under load or dragging when released. In this situation, check the control cable adjustment first. See a Harley-Davidson dealer for proper service.

## Hydraulic Lifters

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The hydraulic lifters are self-adjusting. They automatically adjust length to compensate for engine expansion and valve mechanism wear. This keeps the valve mechanism free of lash when the engine is running.

When starting an engine which has been turned off even for a few minutes, the valve mechanism may be slightly noisy until the hydraulic units completely refill with oil. If at any time the valve mechanism becomes abnormally noisy, other than for a short period immediately after engine is started, it is an indication that one or more of the hydraulic units may not be functioning properly.

Always check the engine oil level first since normal circulation of oil through the engine is necessary for proper operation of the hydraulic lifters.

If engine oil is at the proper level, the lifters may not be functioning properly because of dirt in the oil supply passages leading to the lifter units. See a Harley-Davidson dealer for service.

## Steering Head Bearings

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### ⚠ WARNING

**Adjustments to steering head bearings should be performed by a Harley-Davidson dealer. Improperly adjusted bearings can adversely affect handling and stability, which could result in death or serious injury. (00051b)**

Check for proper steering head bearing adjustment and lubricate bearings at proper intervals. Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models.

With motorcycle front end raised off the floor, be sure front fork turns freely without any binding or interference and that there is no appreciable front to rear fork shake indicating excessive bearing looseness. Steering head bearings should be adjusted according to service manual procedure, if necessary.

## Rear Fork Pivot Shaft

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Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models. Check the tightness of the rear fork pivot shaft fastener and lubricate bearing and bushing at proper intervals.

*NOTE:*

*For model specific information regarding the rear fork pivot shaft, refer to the service manual or see a Harley-Davidson dealer.*

## Brakes

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### Brake Fluid

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#### CAUTION

D.O.T. 4 brake fluid will damage painted and body panel surfaces it comes in contact with. Always use caution and protect surfaces from spills whenever brake work is performed. Failure to comply can result in cosmetic damage. (00239b)

#### ⚠CAUTION

Direct contact of D.O.T. 4 brake fluid with eyes can cause irritation. Avoid eye contact. In case of eye contact flush with large amounts of water and get medical attention. Swallowing large amounts of D.O.T. 4 brake fluid can cause digestive discomfort. If swallowed, obtain medical attention. Use in well ventilated area. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. (00240a)

#### CAUTION

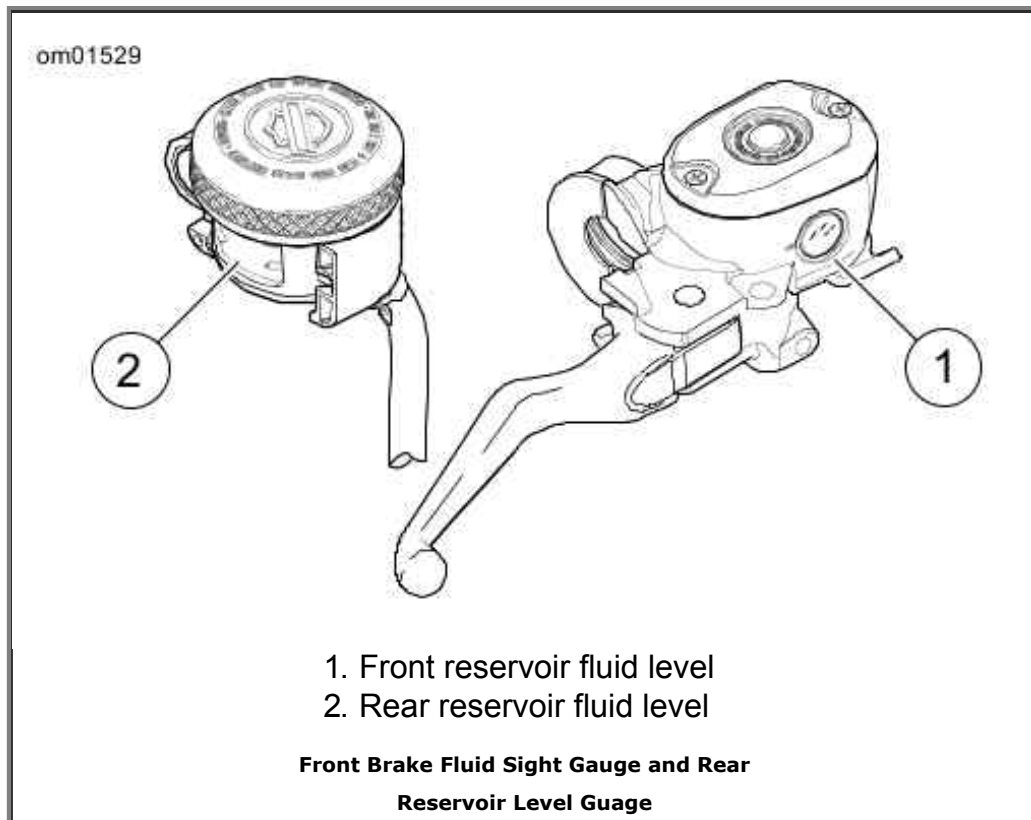
Do not allow dirt or debris to enter the master cylinder reservoir. Dirt or debris in the reservoir can cause improper operation and equipment damage. (00205c)

1. See Front Brake Fluid Sight Gauge and Rear Reservoir Level Gauge. Look through the sight glass on the front brake fluid reservoir and at the marks on the side of the rear brake fluid reservoir to check the brake fluid level. If necessary, shine a flashlight on the rear brake fluid reservoir to view the level.

- The level in the sight glass or reservoir is the brake fluid level.
- If the fluid level is below the minimum mark or not present, see a Harley-Davidson dealer.

**NOTES:**

- *If the brake system is not leaking, there should never be a need to add fluid. If the fluid level is low, the pads are probably worn and need to be replaced. By replacing the pads, the fluid level will rise.*
  - *Use only DOT 4 HYDRAULIC BRAKE FLUID (Part No. 99953-99A) and replace the brake fluid every two years. See a Harley-Davidson dealer.*
2. Verify that the front brake lever and the rear brake pedal have a firm feel when applied. If brakes are not firm, the brake system must be bled. See a Harley-Davidson dealer.



## Brake Pads

### ⚠ WARNING

Inspect brake pads for wear at service maintenance intervals. If you ride under adverse conditions (steep hills, heavy traffic, etc.), inspect more frequently. Excessively worn brake pads can lead to brake failure, which could result in death or serious injury. (00052a)

### ⚠ WARNING

Always replace brake pads in complete sets for correct and safe brake operation. Improper brake operation could result in death or serious injury. (00111a)

## **⚠WARNING**

**Brakes are a critical safety component. Contact a Harley-Davidson dealer for brake repair or replacement. Improperly serviced brakes can adversely affect brake performance, which could result in death or serious injury. (00054a)**

## **⚠WARNING**

**Perform routine scheduled brake maintenance. Lack of maintenance at recommended intervals can adversely affect brake performance, which could result in death or serious injury. (00055a)**

Harley-Davidson has equipped your new motorcycle with the optimum brake pad friction material available. It is selected to give the best performance possible under dry or wet conditions and at high operating temperatures. It exceeds all regulatory requirements currently in effect. However, during some braking conditions you may experience noise. This is normal for this friction material.

1. Check the rear brake disc as it spins. The disc should run true in the brake caliper.
2. See Brake Friction Material. Using a thin plastic ruler, measure the thickness of the brake pad friction material. For rear brakes, place the ruler against the brake disc through the space alongside the caliper.
3. If the brake pad friction material is at the minimum thickness or less, replace the pads. Always replace brake pads in pairs. See a Harley-Davidson dealer. Refer to Minimum Brake Pad Friction Material Thickness.

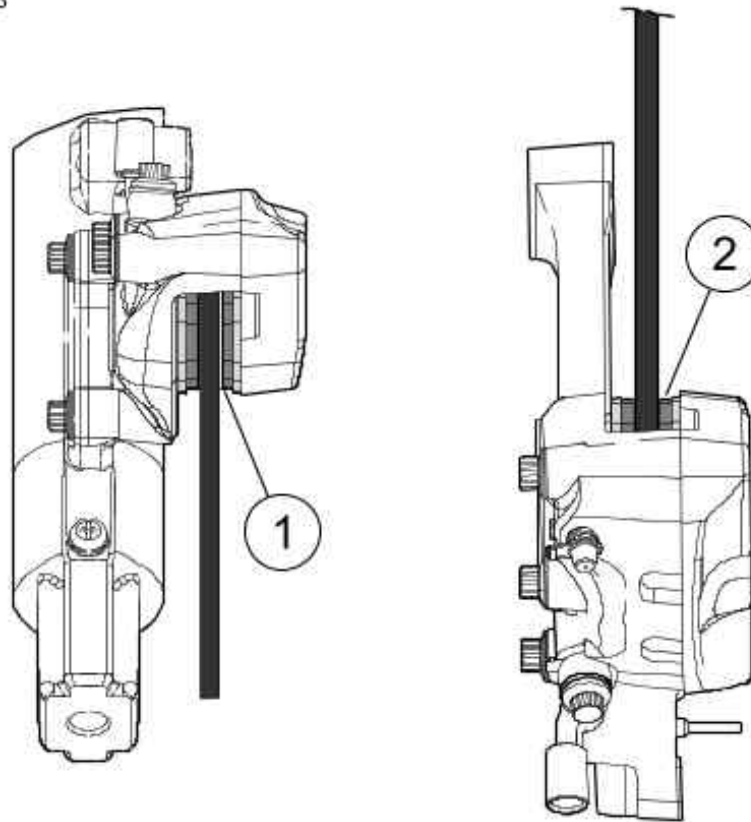
## **⚠WARNING**

**Be sure wheel and brake caliper are aligned. Riding with a misaligned wheel or brake caliper can cause the brake disc to bind and lead to loss of control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00050a)**

**Minimum Brake Pad Friction Material Thickness**

| <b>in</b> | <b>mm</b> |
|-----------|-----------|
| 0.040     | 1.02      |





1. Front brake, viewed from below
2. Rear brake, viewed from above

**Brake Friction Material**

## Tires

- **XL Models:** Refer to Tires: Early Production and Tires: Late Production for approved tires and pressures.
- **XR 1200X:** Refer to Tires: Early Production and Tires: Late Production for approved tires and pressures.
- Be sure to keep tires properly inflated.
- Follow tire data for correct cold tire inflation pressures.
- Check before riding when tires are cold.
- Do not over-inflate tires.

### **⚠WARNING**

**Do not inflate tire beyond maximum pressure as specified on sidewall. Over inflated tires can blow out, which could result in death or serious injury. (00027a)**

### **⚠WARNING**

**Match tires, tubes, rim seals, air valves and caps to the correct wheel rim. Contact a Harley-Davidson dealer. Mismatching can result in damage to the tire bead, allow tire slippage on the rim or cause tire failure, which could**

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**result in death or serious injury. (00023b)**

Check inflation pressure and inspect tread for punctures, cuts, breaks, etc., at least weekly if in daily use. Check before each trip if used occasionally.

#### **⚠WARNING**

**Be sure tires are properly inflated, balanced and have adequate tread. Inspect your tires regularly and see a Harley-Davidson dealer for replacements. Riding with excessively worn, unbalanced or under-inflated tires can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00014a)**

Same as original equipment tires should be used. Other tires may not fit correctly, could adversely affect handling, and may be hazardous to use.

#### **⚠WARNING**

**Tires are a critical safety component. Contact a Harley-Davidson dealer for tire repair or replacement. Improper tire service can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00057a)**

#### **⚠WARNING**

**Replace punctured or damaged tires. In some cases, small punctures in the tread area may be repaired from within the demounted tire by a Harley-Davidson dealer. Speed should NOT exceed 50 mph (80 km/h) for the first 24 hours after repair, and the repaired tire should NEVER be used over 80 mph (130 km/h). Failure to follow this warning could result in death or serious injury. (00015a)**

#### **⚠WARNING**

**Striking an object, such as a curb, can cause internal tire damage. If an object is struck, remove and inspect both the inside and outside of the tire. A damaged tire can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00058a)**

## **Tire Replacement**

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## **Inspection**

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#### **⚠WARNING**

**Harley-Davidson tires are equipped with wear bars that run**  
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Harley-Davidson motorcycles are equipped with wear bars that run horizontally across the tread. When wear bars become visible and only 1/32 in. (0.8 mm) tread depth remains, replace tire immediately. Using a worn tire can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. Use only Harley-Davidson approved replacement tires. (00090b)

Indicators on the tire sidewalls point to tread wear bars in the tread.

- **Michelin Tires:** See Tread Wear Indicator: Michelin Tires.
- **Dunlop Tires:** See Tread Wear Indicator: Dunlop Tires.

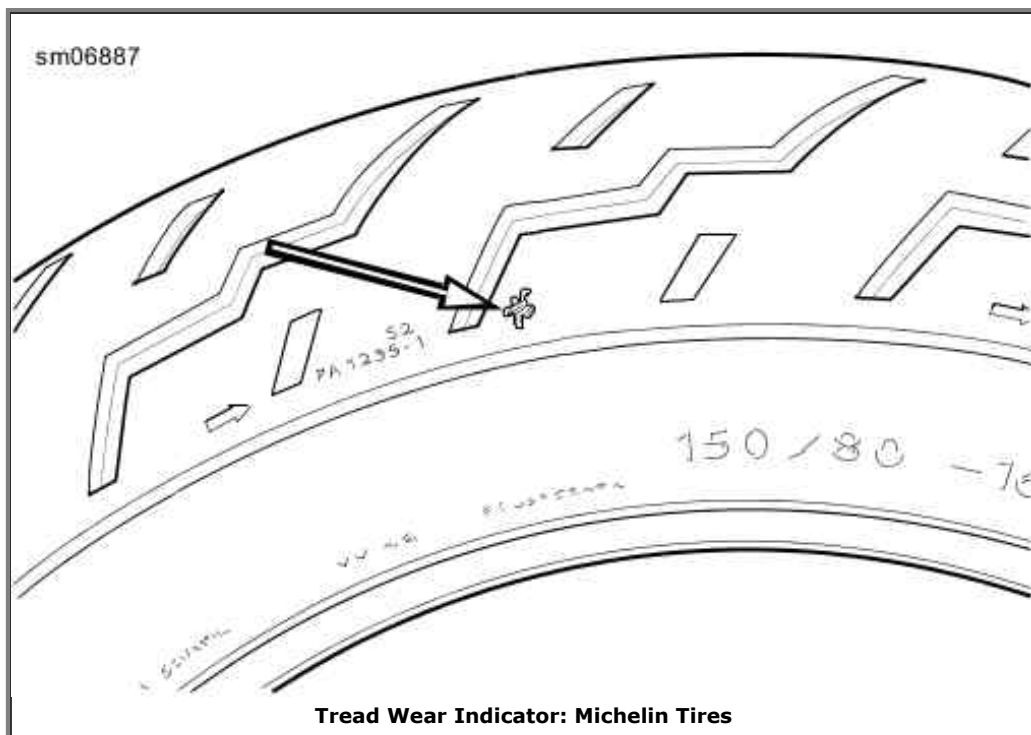
See Wear Bar Location (typical). Tread wear indicator bars appear in the tread pattern when 1/32 in 0.8 mm or less of tread remains. Always replace the tires before the indicator bars appear.

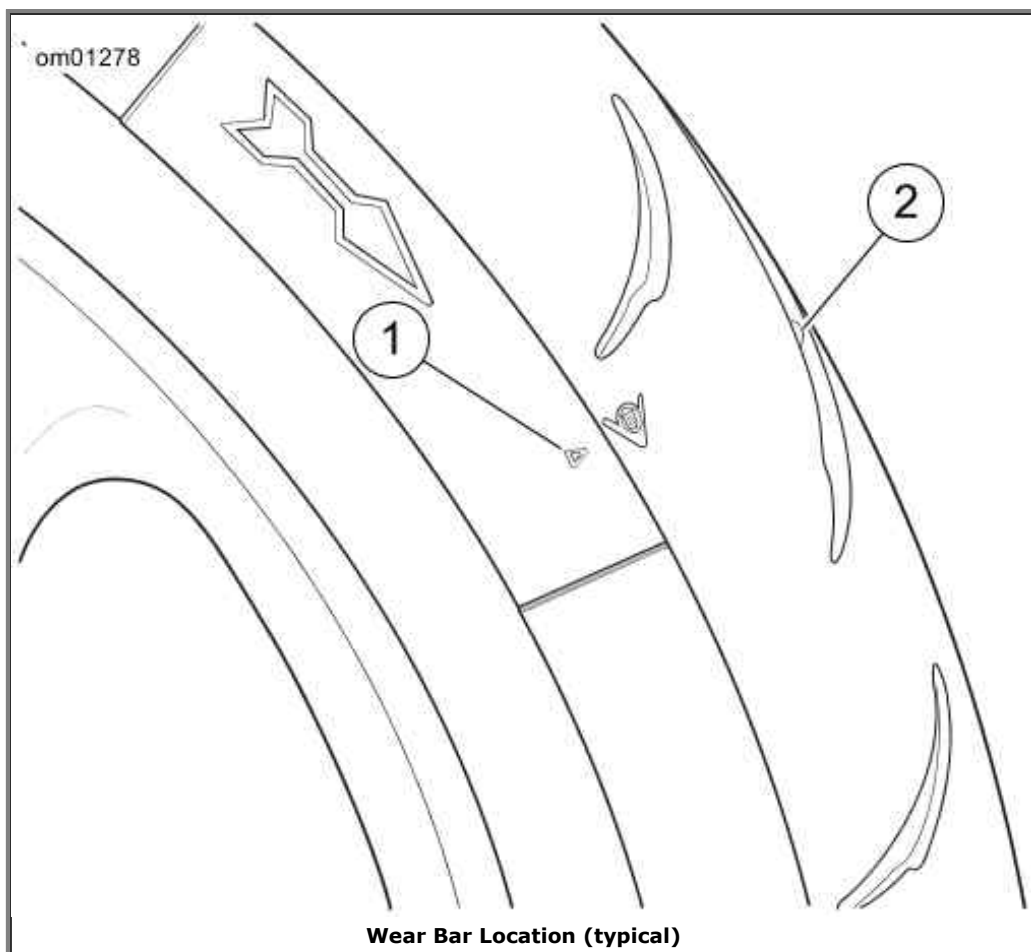
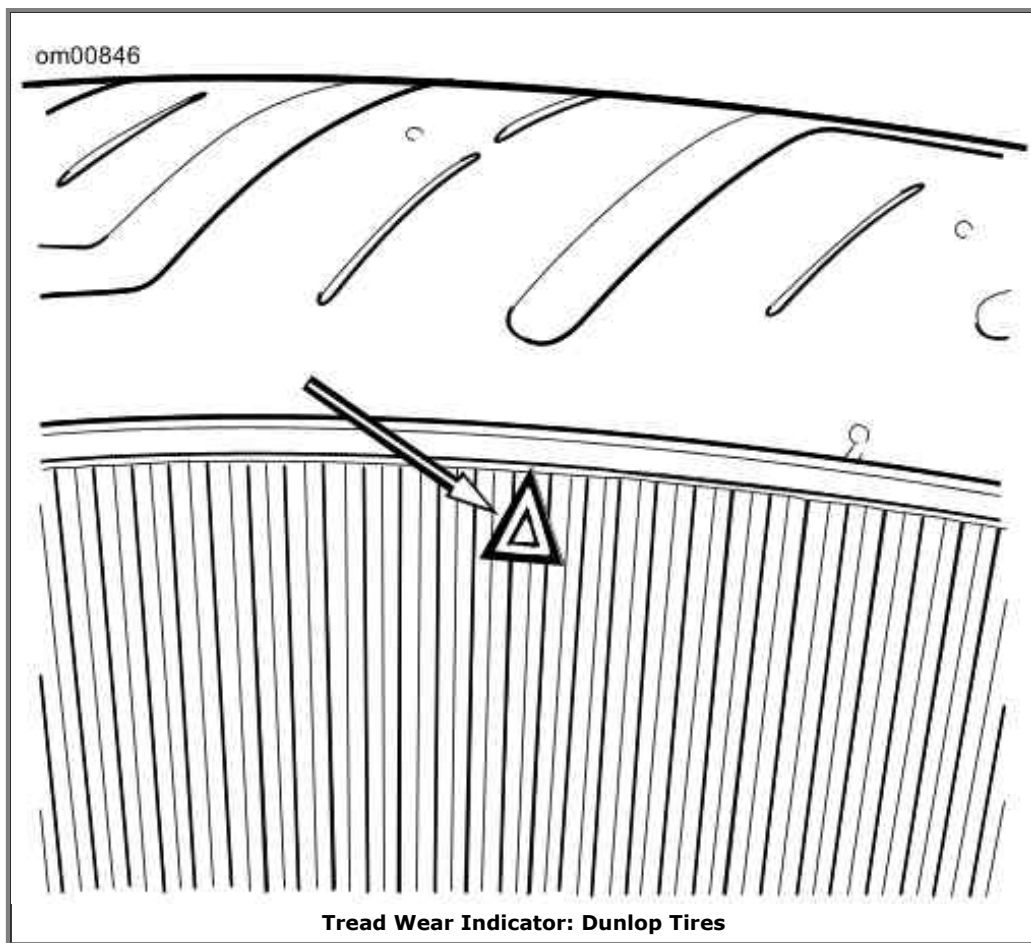
## Replace Tires

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Replace worn tires with new tires if any of the following conditions exist:

1. Tread wear indicator bars appear in the tread pattern.
2. Tire cords or fabric are visible through cracked sidewalls, snags or deep cuts.
3. A bump, bulge or split is found anywhere on the tire.
4. The tire is damaged by a puncture, cut or other damage that cannot be repaired.





## Shock Absorbers

Inspect shock absorbers and rubber bushings for leaks and bushing deterioration at proper  
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intervals.

## XR 1200X Model

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XR 1200X shock absorbers contain pressurized gas. Visually inspect the shock absorbers while observing the following precautions.

### WARNING

**Shock absorber cannot be serviced. Attempting service can cause an explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00602d)**

- Do not refill, disassemble, puncture or expose shock to flames.
- Replacement and disposal should only be done by an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer.

## Spark Plugs

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### WARNING

**Disconnecting spark plug cable with engine running can result in electric shock and death or serious injury. (00464b)**

### CAUTION

**Do NOT pull on any electrical wires. Pulling on electrical wires may damage the internal conductor causing high resistance, which may result in minor or moderate injury. (00168a)**

Check the spark plugs at proper intervals. Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models.

1. Disconnect spark plug cables from plugs by pulling up on the molded connector caps.
2. Check spark plug type. Only use those spark plugs specified for your model motorcycle.
3. Check spark plug gap against specifications table.

*NOTE:*

*If a torque wrench is not available, tighten **new** spark plugs finger-tight and then tighten an additional one-quarter turn with a spark plug wrench.*

4. Always tighten to the proper torque. Spark plugs must be tightened to the torque specified for proper heat transfer. Refer to Electrical: XL Models or Electrical: XR 1200X.
5. Connect each molded connector cap until the cap snaps firmly into place over the spark plug.

## Ignition

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The engine in your motorcycle has been designed specifically to achieve optimum fuel economy within exhaust emission controls. Factory programmed ignition characteristics provide maximum engine performance and driveability.

## Air Cleaner

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### XR 1200X

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For XR 1200X, remove all debris from the air cleaner cover inlet. See a Harley-Davidson dealer or Service Manual at specified intervals for filter element inspection or replacement. Under dusty conditions, inspect more often. Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models.

### XL Models

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For XL models, remove air cleaner cover and inspect filter element at proper intervals. Under dusty conditions, inspect more often. Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models.

See Air Cleaner Assembly: Sportster XL Models. The paper/wire mesh air filter element should be washed in luke warm water with a mild detergent.

Install baseplate gasket, air filter element, and bracket if removed. Apply a drop of LOCTITE THREADLOCKER 243 (blue) to the threads of the bracket screws and tighten to 40-60 in-lbs (4.5-6.8 Nm).

Install air cleaner cover. Tighten screw to 36-60 in-lbs (4.1-6.8 Nm).

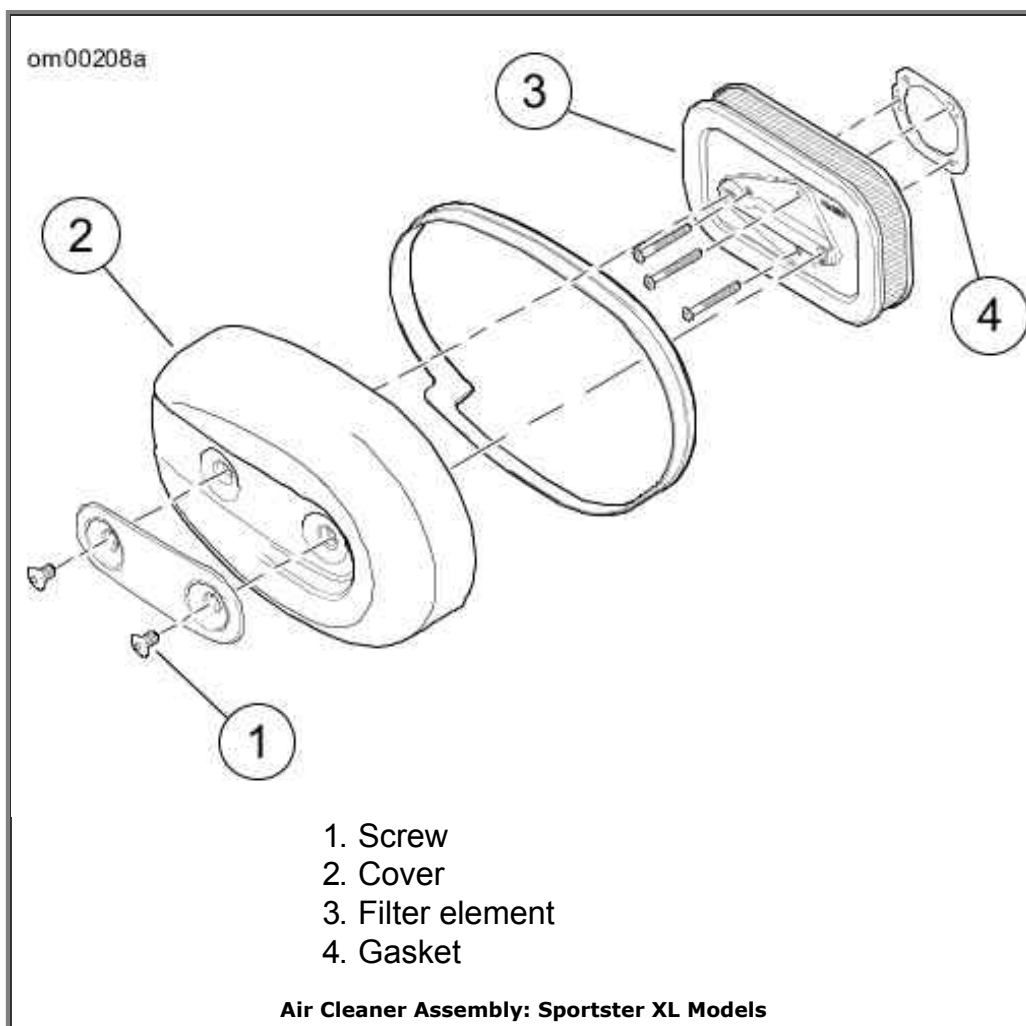
#### **⚠ WARNING**

**Compressed air can pierce the skin and flying debris from compressed air could cause serious eye injury. Wear safety glasses when working with compressed air. Never use your hand to check for air leaks or to determine air flow rates. (00061a)**

- Allow filter to either air dry or blow it dry, from the inside, with low pressure air.
- Do not use an air cleaner filter oil on the Harley-Davidson paper/wire mesh air filter element.

#### **CAUTION**

**Install air filter before running engine. Failure to do so can draw debris into the engine and could result in engine damage. (00207a)**



## Headlamp Bulb Replacement

### Removal

#### CAUTION

When replacement is required, use only the specified sealed beam unit or bulb, available from a Harley-Davidson dealer. An improper wattage sealed beam or bulb, can cause charging system problems. (00209a)

#### ⚠WARNING

To prevent accidental vehicle start-up, which could cause death or serious injury, remove main fuse before proceeding. (00251b)

1. Remove main fuse. See Fuses and Relays.
2. See Headlamp Assembly. Remove screw and headlamp trim ring. Refer to Legend Headlamp Assembly.
3. Hold headlamp reflector/lens and compress release tabs on sides of bulb connector to pull

connector from spade terminals.

4. Remove headlamp reflector/lens and metal adapter ring.
5. Pull rubber boot from back of reflector/lens.
6. Press ends of retaining clip to unhook from notched retaining tabs and pivot retaining clip back.

## Installation

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### **⚠ WARNING**

**Handle bulb carefully and wear eye protection. Bulb contains gas under pressure, which, if not handled carefully, could cause serious eye injury. (00062b)**

### **CAUTION**

**Never touch the quartz bulb. Fingerprints will etch the glass and decrease bulb life. Handle the bulb with paper or a clean, dry cloth. Failure to do so could result in bulb damage. (00210b)**

1. Install replacement bulb.

*NOTE:*

*The tab opposite the center spade connector of bulb fits the top notch in the reflector which points to the top of the reflector/lens.*

2. Pivot the retaining clip over the bulb and press the ends into the retaining post.
3. On HDI models, replace the position lamp if necessary.
  - a. Pull the spade connectors from the bulb holder.
  - b. Pull the bulb holder from the reflector/lens.
  - c. Quarter turn the bulb to remove and replace.
  - d. Replace the bulb holder and mate connectors.
4. Install rubber boot with word TOP over top notch.
5. Press center ring down flush with base of bulb. Press air out of boot to seal bore of boot to bulb.

*NOTE:*

*Air will enter the rubber boot and raise the center ring above bottom of bulb.*

6. Mate the bulb connector to the bulb.
7. Fit the adapter ring and the reflector/lens to the headlamp shell.

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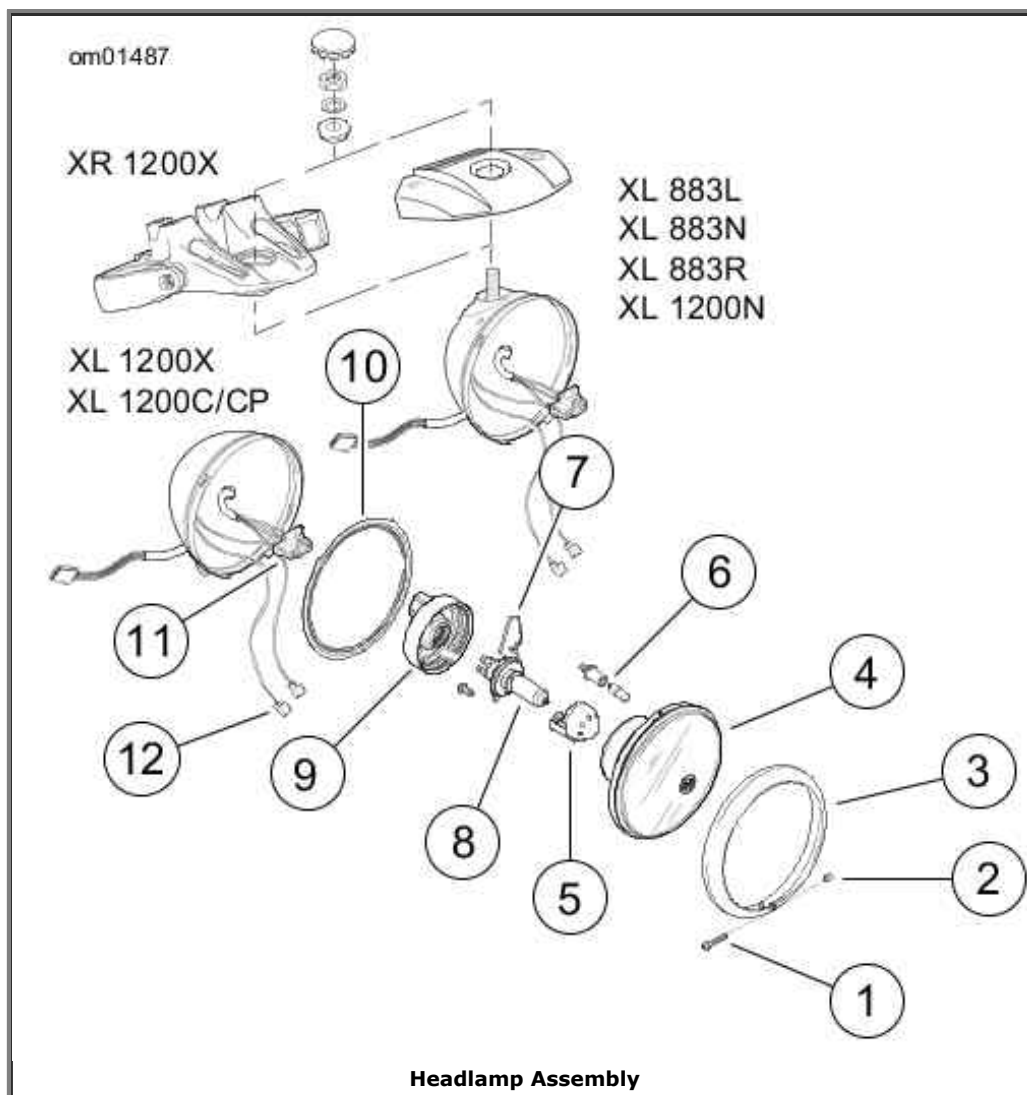
- The two notches on the circumference of the adapter ring will fit the two bulges on rim of headlamp shell.
- A single tab on the circumference of the reflector will fit the notch on the inside of the adapter ring.

- Rotate the trim ring clockwise to lock down on the reflector/lens. Install the trim ring screw and tighten.
- Install main fuse.

**⚠ WARNING**

**Be sure that all lights and switches operate properly before operating motorcycle. Low visibility of rider can result in death or serious injury. (00316a)**

- Turn ignition on and test for proper operation.
- After final assembly, align headlamp as described in Headlamp Alignment.



Legend Headlamp Assembly

| LEGEND NO. | COMPONENT |
|------------|-----------|
| 1          | Screw     |

|    |  |
|----|--|
| 2  | Nut                                    |
| 3  | Trim ring                              |
| 4  | Lens                                   |
| 5  | Bulb shield                            |
| 6  | Position lamp (HDI models)             |
| 7  | Wire clip                              |
| 8  | Bulb                                   |
| 9  | Rubber boot                            |
| 10 | Adapter ring                           |
| 11 | Connector [5]                          |
| 12 | Position lamp connectors<br>HDI models |

## Headlamp Alignment

### ⚠ WARNING

**The automatic-on headlamp feature provides increased visibility of the rider to other motorists. Be sure headlamp is on at all times. Poor visibility of rider to other motorists can result in death or serious injury. (00030b)**

NOTE:

*Vehicles with multiple beam headlamps that are individually aimed should be adjusted so both lamps converge into one pattern.*

1. Verify that front and rear tire inflation pressures are correct and that suspension is adjusted to the weight of the principal rider. See Specifications.
2. Fill fuel tank or add ballast to equal the weight of the fuel needed.

NOTE:

*See Headlamp Alignment: Sportster Models. To aid in properly placing the motorcycle, a perpendicular line (1) can be drawn on the floor. For best results, choose an area with minimum light.*

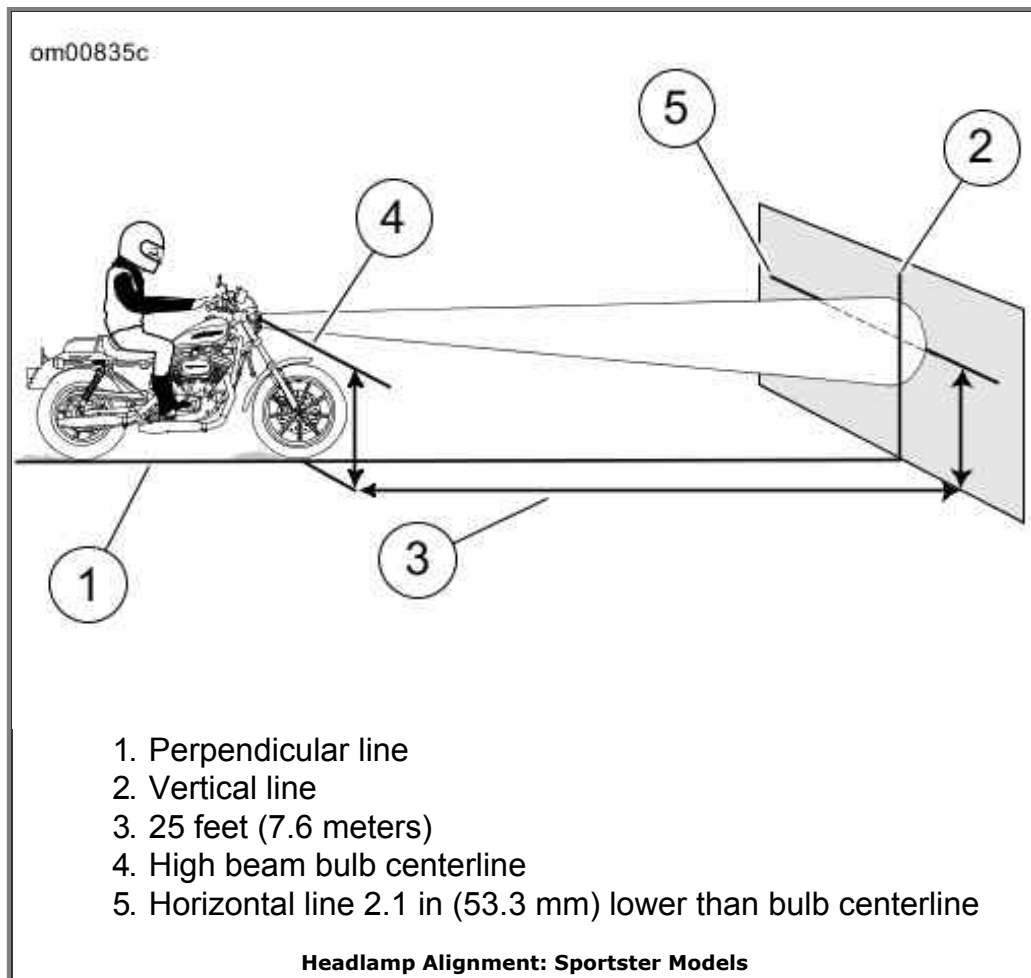
3. Draw a vertical line (2) on the wall.
4. Position motorcycle so that front axle is 25 ft 7.6 m from wall.

NOTE:

*As the weight of the rider will compress the suspension slightly, have a person whose weight is approximately the same as that of the principal rider sit on the motorcycle.*

5. With the vehicle laden and upright, point the front wheel straight forward at wall and measure the distance (4) from the floor to the center of the HIGH BEAM bulb.

6. Draw a horizontal line (5) through the vertical line on the wall that is 2.1 in 53.3 mm lower than the measured bulb centerline.
7. Verify headlamp alignment. With the motorcycle on, set the headlamp switch to HIGH beam.
  - a. The center of the hot spot (brightest area of light beam) should be centered where the two lines intersect.
  - b. Adjust headlamp alignment if necessary.

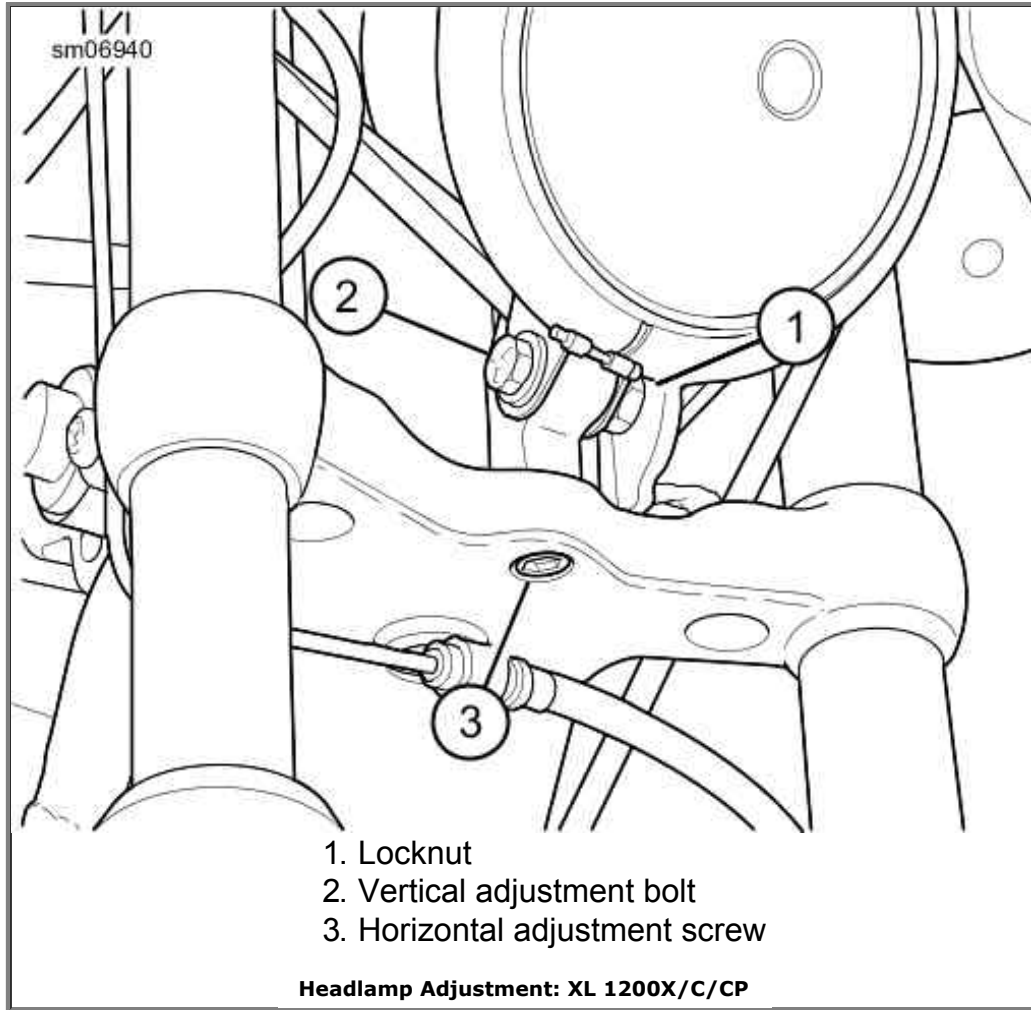


## Headlamp Adjustment

### Adjustment: XL 1200X/C/CP

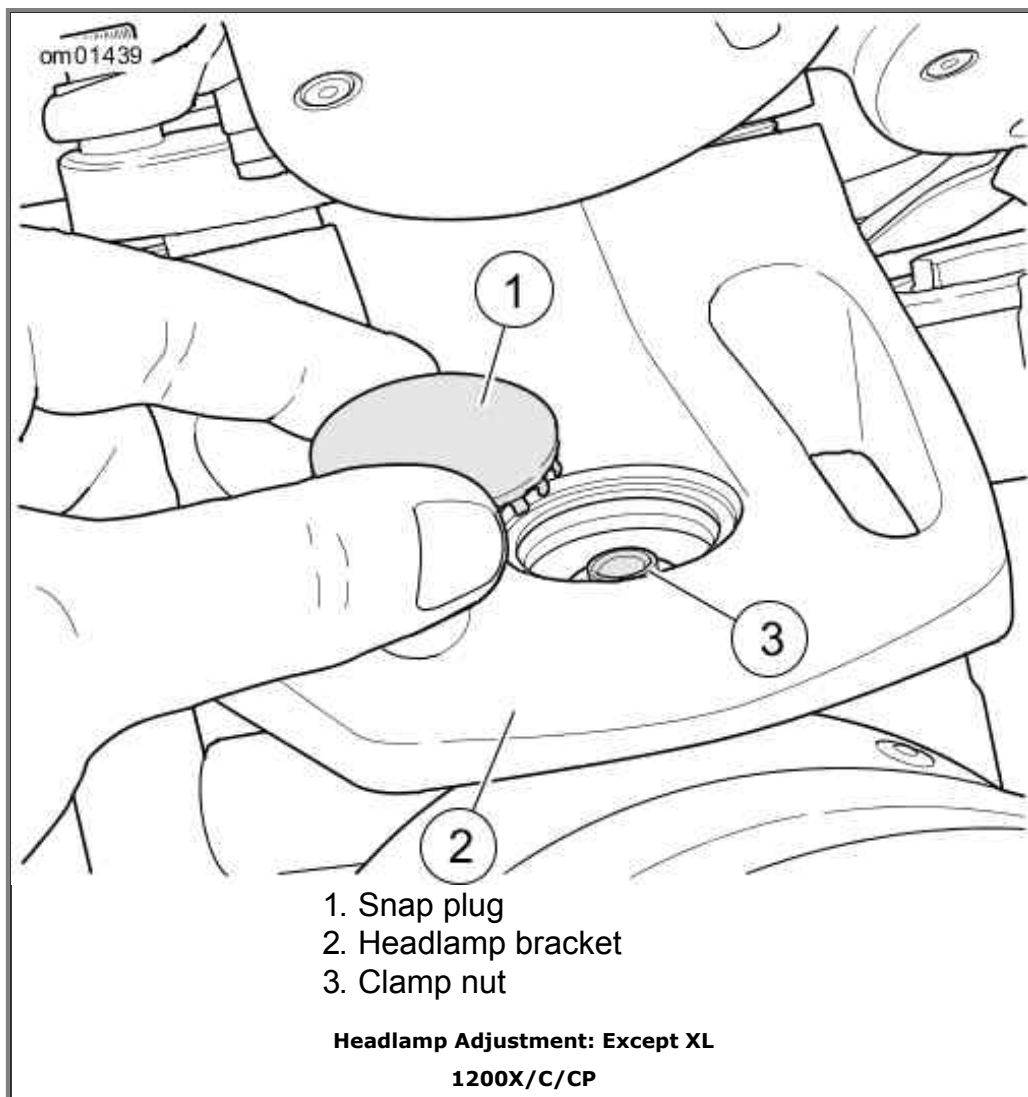
1. Set horizontal adjustment:
  - a. See Headlamp Adjustment: XL 1200X/C/CP. Loosen the horizontal adjustment screw (3).
  - b. Turn the headlamp right or left as necessary to direct the light beam straight ahead.
  - c. Tighten the horizontal adjustment screw to 30-35 ft-lbs (40.7-47.5 Nm).
2. Set vertical adjustment:
  - a. See Headlamp Adjustment: XL 1200X/C/CP. Loosen the locknut (1) for the vertical adjustment bolt.

- b. Tilt headlamp up or down to properly aim it at the horizontal line on the wall.
- c. Tighten headlamp locknut to 30-35 ft-lbs (40.7-47.5 Nm).



### **Adjustment: All Models except XL 1200X/C/CP**

1. See Headlamp Adjustment: Except XL 1200X/C/CP. Remove snap plug (1) on top of headlamp bracket (2).
2. Loosen headlamp clamp nut (3).
3. Tilt headlamp up or down to properly aim it in relation to the horizontal line and, at the same time, turn it right or left to direct light beam straight ahead.
4. Tighten headlamp clamp nut to 120-240 in-lbs (14-27 Nm) after lamp is properly positioned. Install snap plug in headlamp bracket.



## LED Rear Turn Signal/Tail Lamps: XL 883N, XL 1200N and XL 1200X Models

On International and Japanese models, the rear turn signal/tail lamps are LED assemblies with no replaceable bulbs. Caps on rear turn signals are not removable. See dealer or service manual for assembly replacement.

Due to local regulations, this feature may not be found in all destinations.

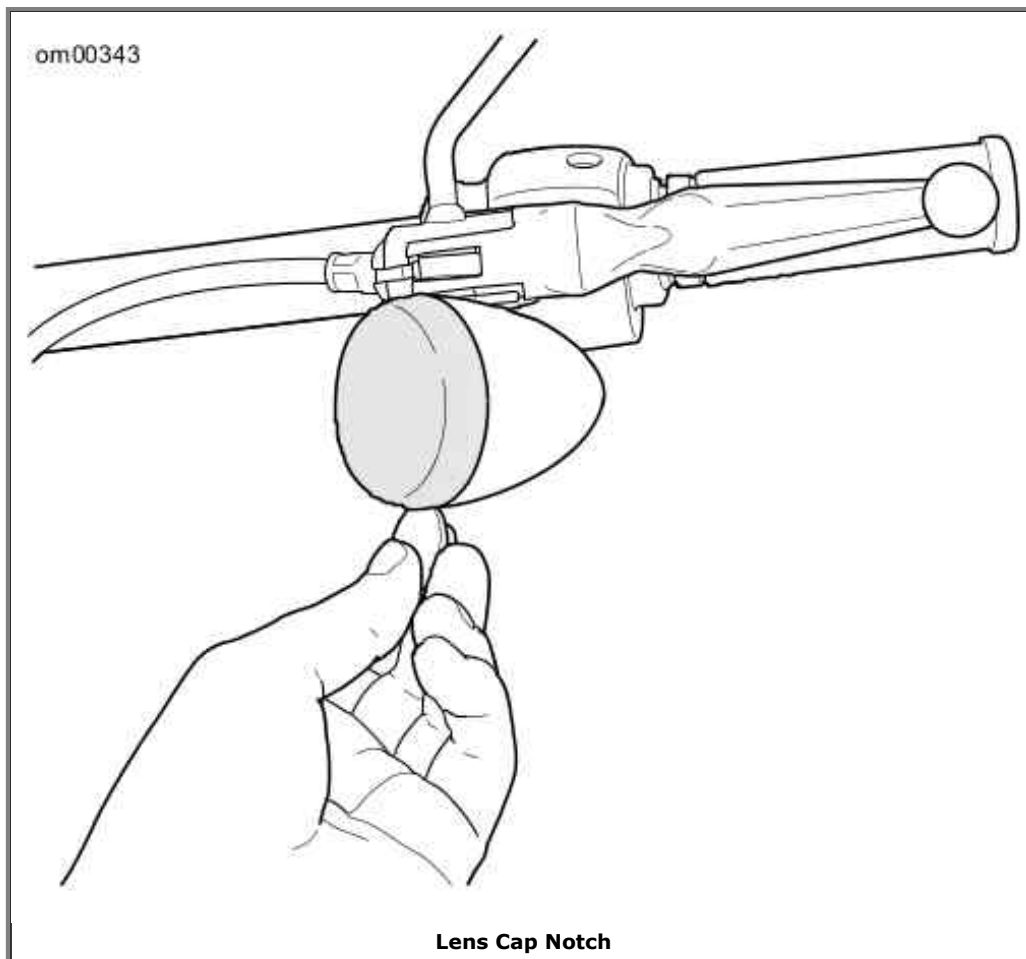
## Turn Signal Bulb Replacement: Bullet Style

1. See Lens Cap Notch. Insert a coin or the blade of a small screwdriver into the notch at the bottom of the lens cap. Carefully twist until the lens cap pops out of the lamp housing.
2. Push bulb in and rotate counterclockwise. Pull bulb from socket.
3. Inspect condition of electrical contacts in socket. If necessary, clean with a small wire brush and electrical contact cleaner.
4. Coat base of **new** bulb with ELECTRICAL CONTACT LUBRICANT (Part No. 99861-02).
5. Align pins on bulb with pin guides in bulb socket. Push **new** bulb in and turn clockwise to lock in place.
6. Snap lens cap back into the lamp holder. Rotate lens to position notch at bottom of lamp.

## ⚠ WARNING

Be sure that all lights and switches operate properly before operating motorcycle. Low visibility of rider can result in death or serious injury. (00316a)

7. Turn ignition on and test for proper operation.



## Tail Lamp Bulb Replacement

### Standard Style

1. See Tail Lamp Assembly. Make certain ignition switch is turned off.
2. Remove two screws and lens from base.

*NOTE:*

*For ease of bulb removal, the 4-Pin multilock connector can be removed from circuit board.*

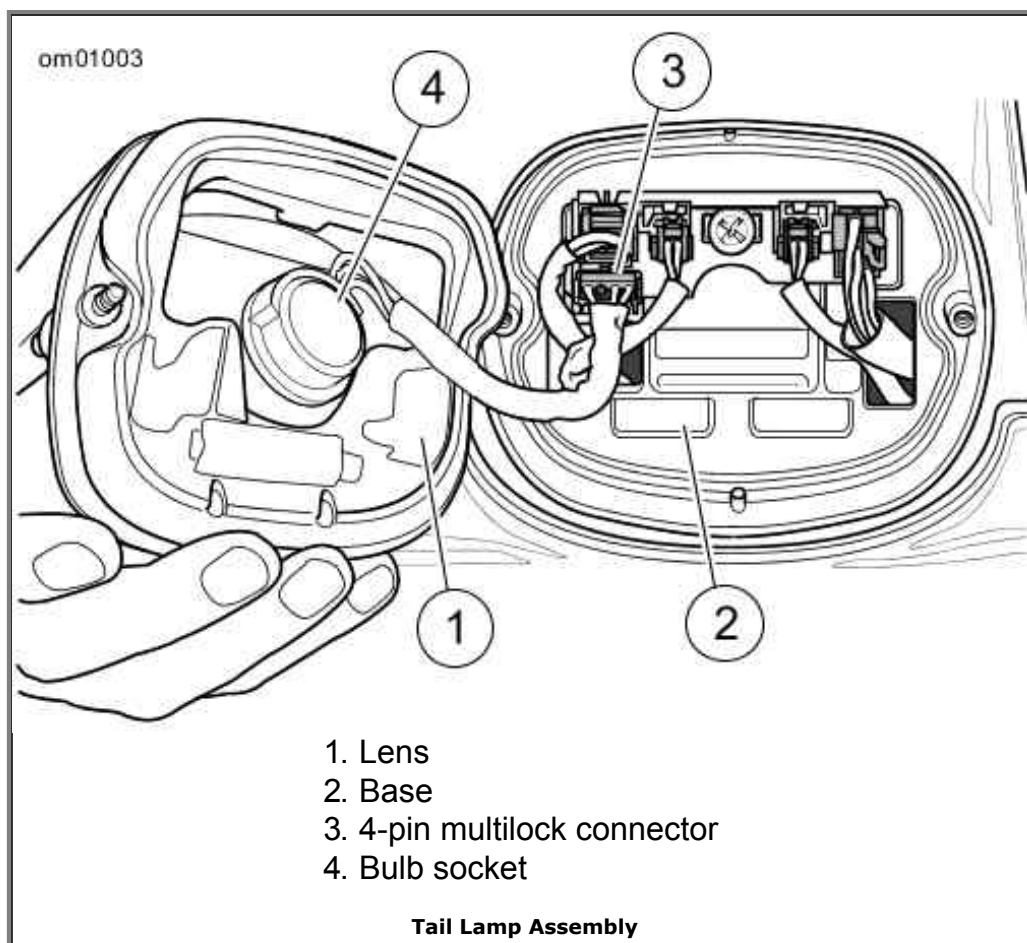
3. Remove (pull) bulb assembly from lens. Remove bulb from socket.
4. Coat base of **new** bulb with ELECTRICAL CONTACT GREASE (Part No. 99861-02). Install **new** bulb in socket.
5. Install (push) bulb assembly to lens.

6. If removed connect 4-Pin multilock connector to circuit board.
7. Install lens to base with two screws. Tighten screws to 20-24 in-lbs (2.3-2.7 Nm).

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Be sure that all lights and switches operate properly before operating motorcycle. Low visibility of rider can result in death or serious injury. (00316a)**

8. Turn ignition on and test for proper tail lamp operation.



## **LED Style**

XL 1200C/CP tail and stop lamp is illuminated with LED's. Replace the entire assembly upon failure. See the service manual or see a Harley-Davidson dealer.

## **Alternator/Voltage Regulator**

## **Charging Rate**

The alternator output is controlled and changed to direct current by the voltage regulator.

- The voltage regulator increases charging rate when battery is low or lamps are lit.
- The voltage regulator decreases charging rate when battery charge is up.

## CAUTION

It is possible to overload your vehicle's charging system by adding too many electrical accessories. If the combined electrical accessories operating at any one time consume more electrical current than the vehicle's charging system can produce, the electrical consumption can discharge the battery and cause damage to the vehicle's electrical system. See an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer for advice about the amount of current consumed by additional electrical accessories or for necessary wiring changes. (00211c)

### NOTES:

- *This unit requires no interval attention. If any electrical system trouble is experienced that might be traceable to the alternator or voltage regulator, the motorcycle should be taken to a Harley-Davidson dealer who has the necessary electrical testing equipment to give the required attention.*
- *For model specific information regarding the voltage regulator, refer to the appropriate Service Manual or see a Harley-Davidson dealer.*

## Left Side Cover

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The left side cover provides access to the main fuse holder, battery and fuse/relay block. No tools are required to remove or install the side cover.

## Opening

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### NOTES:

- *The left side cover does not need to be completely removed from the vehicle to access the battery or fuses.*
- *Place a shop cloth or other clean, dry cloth over rear brake master cylinder reservoir and left passenger foot peg (if applicable). This will protect cover from damage.*

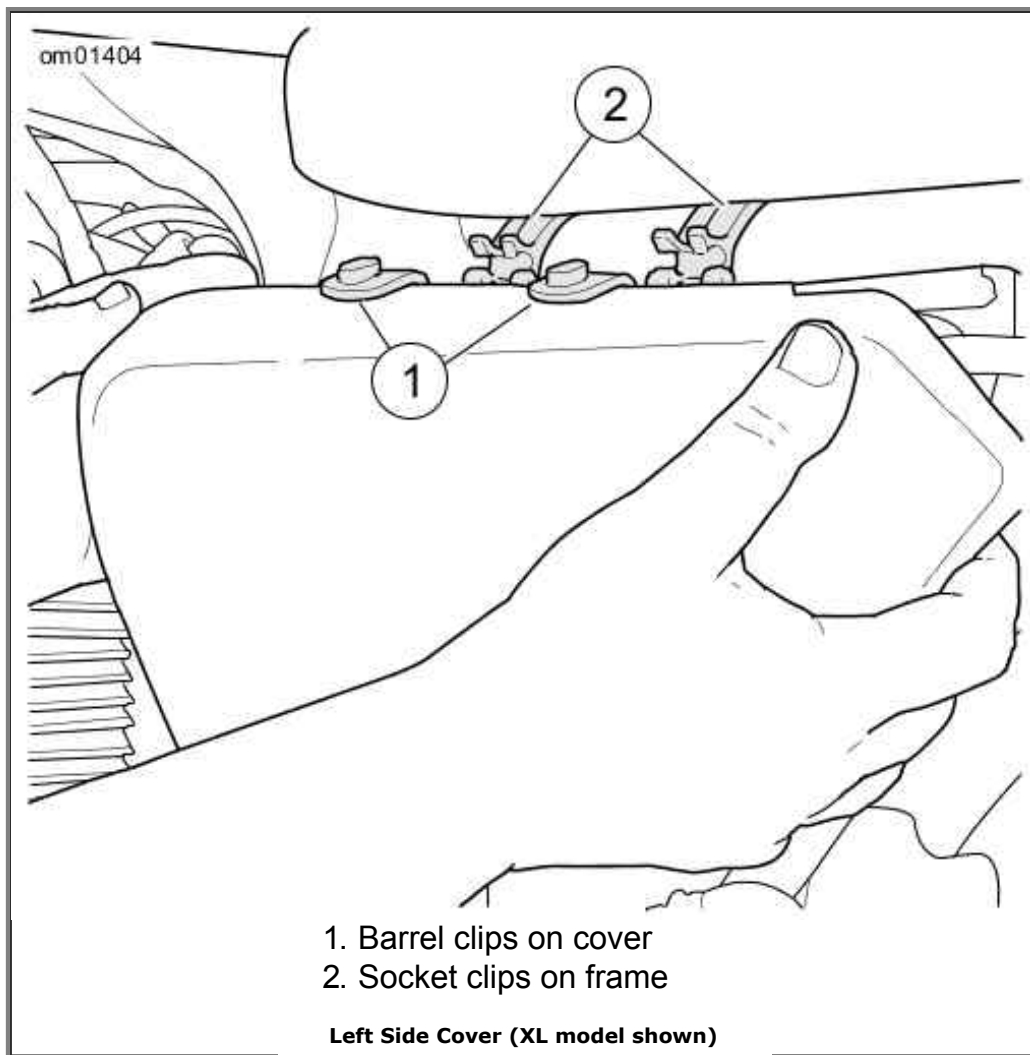
1. See Left Side Cover (XL model shown). Grasp left side cover at upper corners and gently pull away from frame. On XL models, disengage the rear clip first for easier opening.
2. While rotating top of cover out away from motorcycle, slide cover down slightly so mounting slot slides down from mounting tab on battery tray.

## Closing

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1. Raise the left side cover.
2. On XL models, align the barrel clips on the cover with the socket clips on the frame. Press the cover to secure.
3. On the XR 1200X, align the locating pins with the grommets on the frame. Press the cover to secure.





## Battery: General

### Type

Your motorcycle uses a permanently sealed, maintenance-free, lead/calcium and sulfuric acid battery. All batteries are shipped precharged and ready to be put into service. Do not attempt to open the battery for any reason.

#### Antidotes for Battery Acid

| CONTACT  | TREATMENT   |
|----------|---|
| External | Flush with water.   |
| Internal | Drink large quantities of milk or water, followed by milk of magnesia, vegetable oil or beaten eggs. Get immediate medical attention. |
| Eyes     | Flush with water. Get immediate medical attention.  |

**⚠WARNING**

Batteries contain sulfuric acid, which could cause severe burns to eyes and skin. Wear a protective face shield, rubberized gloves and protective clothing when working with batteries. **KEEP BATTERIES AWAY FROM CHILDREN.** (00063a)

**⚠ WARNING**


Explosive hydrogen gas, which escapes during charging, could cause death or serious injury. Charge battery in a well-ventilated area. Keep open flames, electrical sparks and smoking materials away from battery at all times. **KEEP BATTERIES AWAY FROM CHILDREN.** (00065a)

**⚠ WARNING**

Batteries, battery posts, terminals and related accessories contain lead and lead compounds, and other chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, and birth defects or other reproductive harm. Wash hands after handling. (00019e)

**⚠ WARNING**


Never remove warning label attached to top of battery. Failure to read and understand all precautions contained in warning, could result in death or serious injury. (00064a)



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- 2
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**NON-SPILLABLE**

This is a ready filled, activated SEALED BATTERY. NEVER remove strip. Refer to owner's manual or instruction sheet for charging procedure.



**⚠ DANGER/POISON**

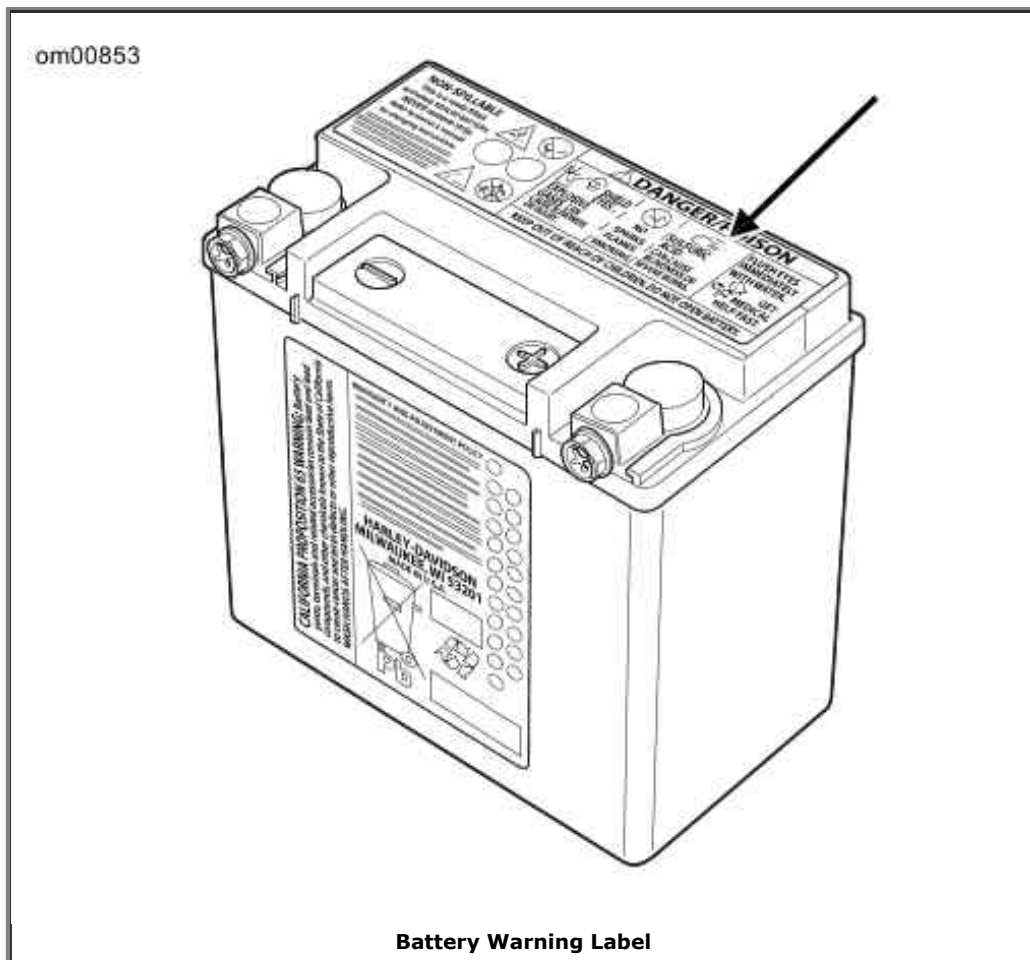
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| <b>SHIELD EYES.</b> | <b>NO SPARKS, FLAMES, SMOKING</b> | <b>SULFURIC ACID CAN CAUSE BLINDNESS OR SEVERE BURNS.</b> | <b>FLUSH EYES IMMEDIATELY WITH WATER. GET MEDICAL HELP FAST.</b> |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|

**EXPLOSIVE GASES CAN CAUSE BLINDNESS OR INJURY.**

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. DO NOT OPEN BATTERY.**

1. Contents are corrosive
2. Wear safety glasses
3. Contents are explosive
4. Keep flames away
5. Read instructions
6. Keep away from children

**Battery Warning Label**



## Voltmeter Test

Refer to Voltmeter Test. The voltmeter test provides a general indicator of battery condition. Check the voltage of the battery to verify that it is in a 100 percent fully-charged condition. If the open circuit (disconnected) voltage reading is below 12.6 V, charge the battery and then re-check the voltage after the battery has set for one to two hours.

**Voltmeter Test**

| READING IN VOLTS | PERCENT OF CHARGE |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 12.7             | 100               |
| 12.6             | 75                |
| 12.3             | 50                |
| 12.0             | 25                |
| 11.8             | 0                 |

## Cleaning and Inspection

Battery top must be clean and dry. Dirt and electrolyte on top of the battery can cause battery to self-discharge.

1. Clean battery top.

2. Clean cable connectors and battery terminals using a wire brush or fine grit sandpaper to remove any oxidation.
3. Inspect and clean the battery screws, clamps and cables. Check for breakage, loose connections and corrosion.
4. Check the battery posts for melting or damage caused by overtightening.
5. Inspect the battery for discoloration, a raised top or a warped or distorted case. This might indicate that the battery has been frozen, overheated or overcharged.
6. Inspect the battery case for cracks or leaks.

## Charging

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Never charge a battery without first reviewing the instructions for the charger being used. In addition to the manufacturer's instructions, follow these general safety precautions.

Charge the battery if any of the following conditions exist:

- Vehicle lamps appear dim.
- Electric starter sounds weak.
- Battery has not been used for an extended period of time.

### WARNING

**Explosive hydrogen gas, which escapes during charging, could cause death or serious injury. Charge battery in a well-ventilated area. Keep open flames, electrical sparks and smoking materials away from battery at all times. KEEP BATTERIES AWAY FROM CHILDREN. (00065a)**

### WARNING

**Batteries contain sulfuric acid, which could cause severe burns to eyes and skin. Wear a protective face shield, rubberized gloves and protective clothing when working with batteries. KEEP BATTERIES AWAY FROM CHILDREN. (00063a)**

1. Perform a voltmeter test to determine the state of charge. If battery needs to be charged, proceed to the next step.
2. Place the battery on a level surface.

### WARNING

**Unplug or turn OFF battery charger before connecting charger cables to battery. Connecting cables with charger ON can cause a spark and battery explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00066a)**

## **⚠ WARNING**

**Connect positive (+) battery cable first. If positive (+) cable should contact ground with negative (-) cable connected, the resulting sparks can cause a battery explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00068a)**

## **⚠ WARNING**

**Disconnect negative (-) battery cable first. If positive (+) cable should contact ground with negative (-) cable connected, the resulting sparks can cause a battery explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00049a)**

## **CAUTION**

**Do not reverse the charger connections described in the following steps or the charging system of the motorcycle could be damaged. (00214a)**

### *NOTES:*

- *The figures in 12 Amp-Hour Battery Charging Rates/Times (Approximate) show typical charging times. Charge times may vary. When using automatic chargers, allow the charger to determine when charging is complete.*
- *Do not use chargers with excessively high voltage designed for flooded batteries or excessively high current designed for much larger batteries. Charging should be limited to no more than 5 amps at no more than 14.6 volts.*

3. Connect the red battery charger lead to positive (+) terminal of the battery.
4. Connect the black battery charger lead to negative (-) terminal of the battery.

### *NOTE:*

*If the battery is still in the vehicle, connect the negative lead to the chassis ground. Make sure that the ignition and all electrical accessories are turned off.*

5. Step away from the battery and turn on the charger.

## **⚠ WARNING**

**Unplug or turn OFF battery charger before disconnecting charger cables from battery. Disconnecting clamps with charger ON can cause a spark and battery explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00067a)**

6. After the battery is fully charged, turn OFF the charger and disconnect the black battery charger lead to the negative (-) terminal of the battery.
7. Disconnect the red battery charger lead to the positive (+) terminal of the battery.
8. Mark the charging date on the battery.

**12 Amp-Hour Battery Charging Rates/Times (Approximate)**

| <b>READING<br/>(VOLTS)</b> | <b>PERCENT<br/>OF CHARGE</b> | <b>5 AMP<br/>CHARGER</b> | <b>2 AMP<br/>CHARGER</b> | <b>1.5 AMP<br/>CHARGER</b> | <b>0.75 AMP<br/>CHARGER</b> |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 12.7                       | 100                          | -                        | -                        | -                          | -                           |
| 12.6                       | 75                           | 1 hour 36 minutes        | 2 hours 30 minutes       | 3 hours                    | 5 hours                     |
| 12.3                       | 50                           | 2 hours 12 minutes       | 4 hours                  | 5 hours                    | 9 hours                     |
| 12.0                       | 25                           | 2 hours 48 minutes       | 5 hours 30 minutes       | 7 hours                    | 13 hours                    |
| 11.8                       | 0                            | 3 hours 24 minutes       | 7 hours                  | 9 hours                    | 17 hours                    |

## Storage

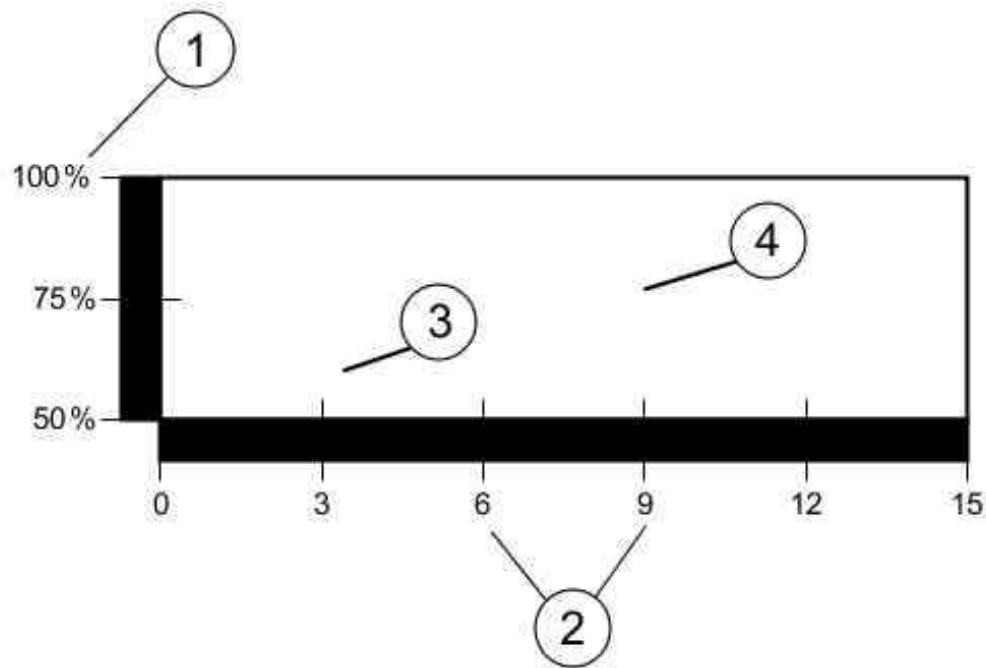
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If the motorcycle will not be operated for several months, such as during the winter season, remove the battery from the motorcycle and fully charge.

If the motorcycle is to be stored with the battery installed, it will be necessary to connect a battery tender to maintain charge. See an authorized dealer for more information.

A battery that is removed from the vehicle is affected by self-discharge. A battery that is stored in the vehicle is affected by both self-discharge and, more significantly, parasitic loads. Parasitic loads occur from things like diode leakage and maintaining computer memory with the vehicle off.

- Batteries self-discharge at a faster rate at higher ambient temperatures.
- To reduce the self-discharge rate, store battery in a cool, dry place.
- Charge the battery once per month if stored in the vehicle.
- Charge the battery every three months if stored out of the vehicle.



1. Capacity
2. Months of non-use
3. Measured at 105 °F (40 °C)
4. Measured at 77 °F (25 °C)

Effective Rate of Temperature on Battery  
Self-discharging Rate

## Battery Disconnection and Removal

### ⚠ WARNING

**Disconnect negative (-) battery cable first. If positive (+) cable should contact ground with negative (-) cable connected, the resulting sparks can cause a battery explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00049a)**

1. Open left side cover.

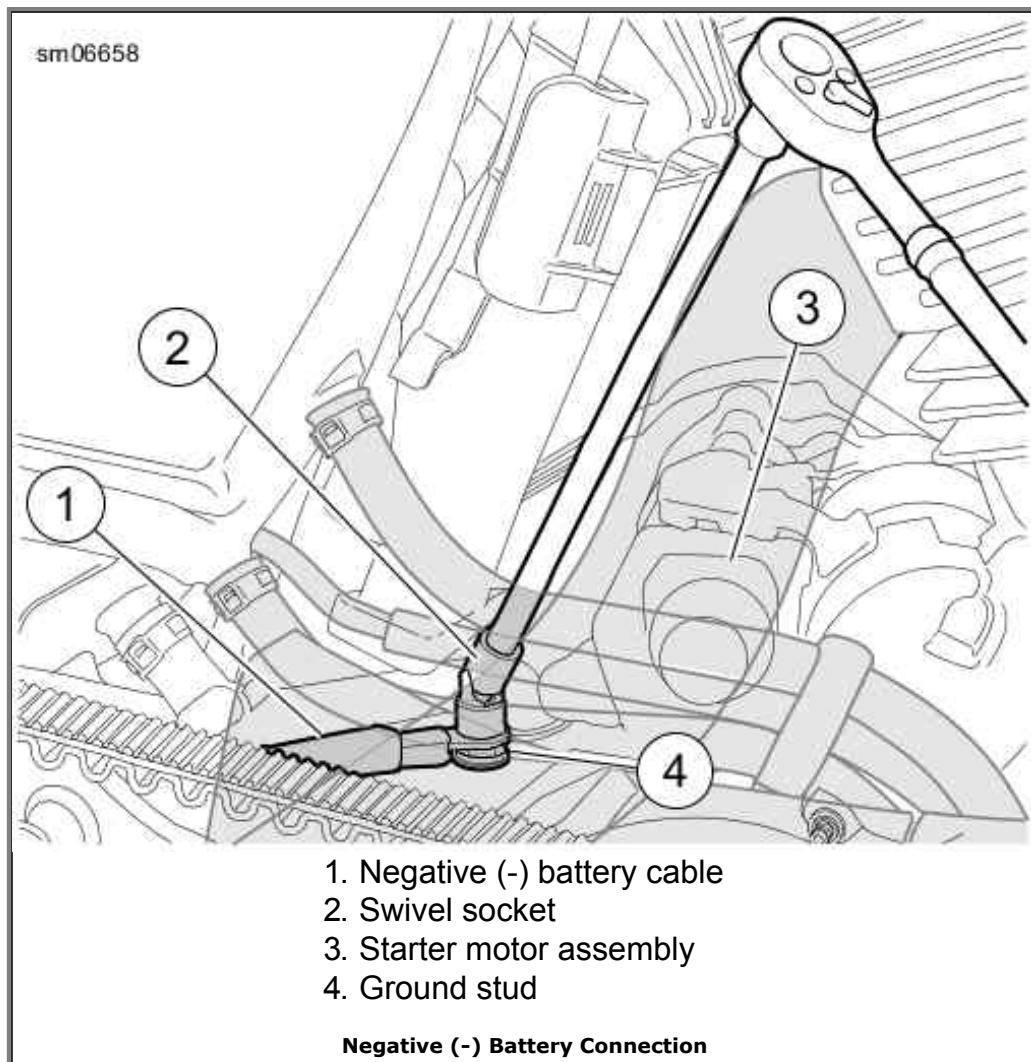
*NOTE:*

*If vehicle is equipped with optional security siren, verify that fob is present and turn ignition key to IGNITION before removing main fuse or disconnecting battery.*

2. See Negative (-) Battery Connection. Using a swivel socket (2), remove nut that secures the negative (-) battery cable (1) connector to ground stud (4) on crankcase boss behind starter motor assembly (3). Remove cable connector from stud.
3. See Negative (-) Battery Cable Holder. Pull end of negative (-) cable (2) forward gently to free it from cable holder (1).
4. See Main Fuse and Battery Location: All Models. Press main fuse holder (1) toward <https://www.motorcycle-manual.com/>

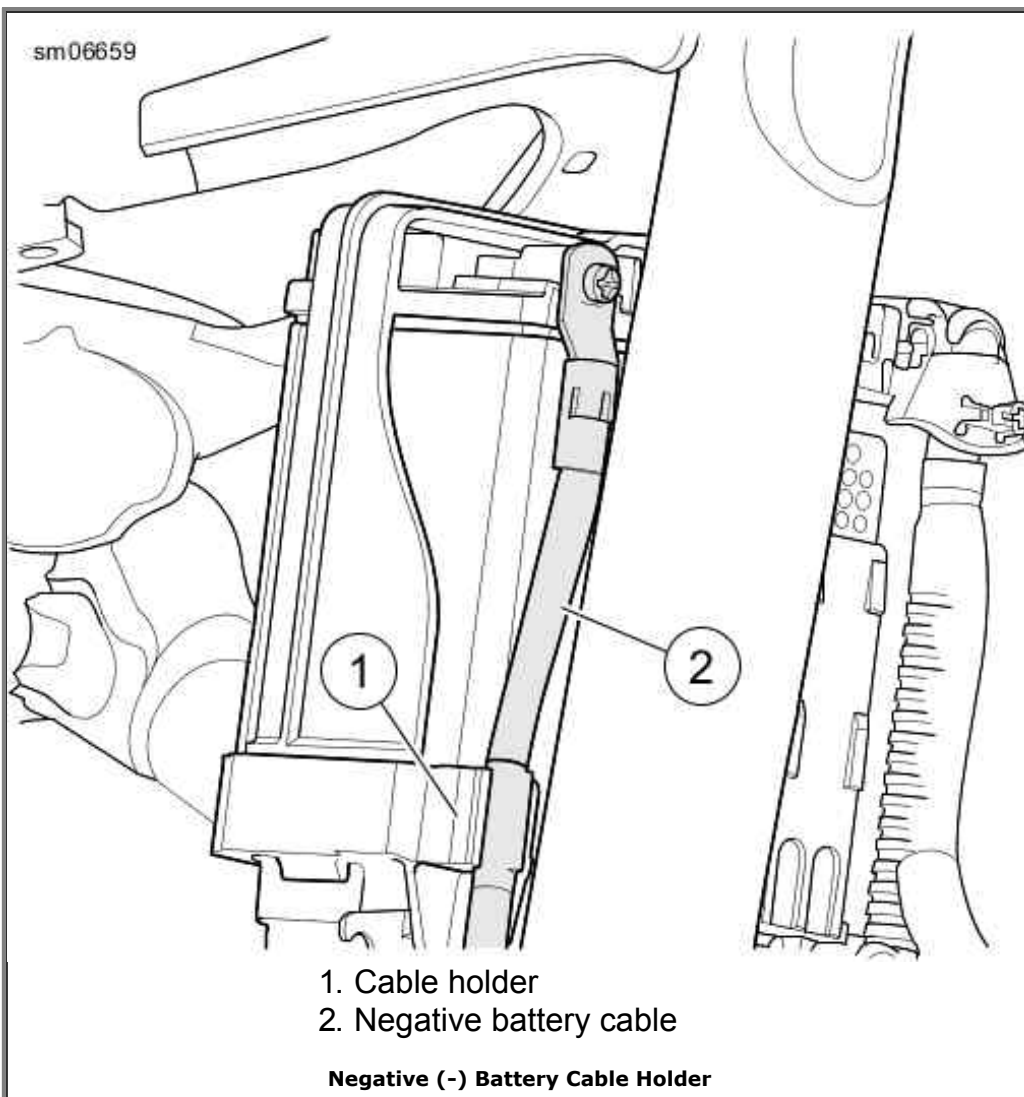
the rear of the motorcycle until it pops off its mounting pin on battery strap (4). Remove main fuse holder from battery strap.

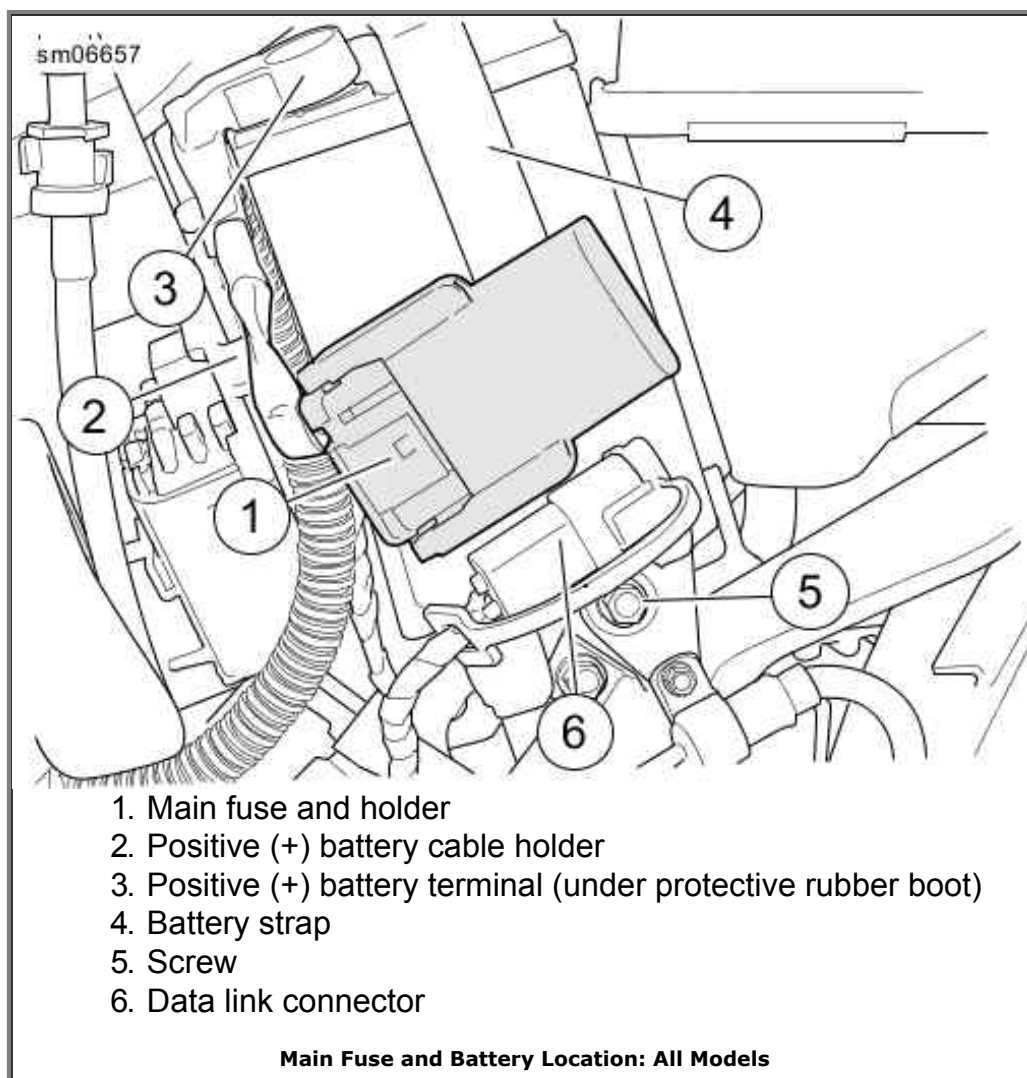
5. Press data link connector (6) toward the rear of the motorcycle until it pops off its mounting pin on battery strap. Remove the connector from battery strap.
6. Remove battery strap screw (5). Unhook battery strap from battery tray mount on top of battery and remove strap.
7. Lift up protective rubber boot covering battery positive (+) terminal (3). Remove screw from battery positive (+) terminal and remove positive (+) battery cable.
8. Disconnect positive (+) battery cable from cable holder (2).
9. Slide the battery (with attached negative cable) out from the left side of the vehicle until the negative battery cable is accessible.
10. Disconnect the negative battery cable at the battery (-) terminal. Leave the cable on the vehicle.
11. Remove battery from battery tray. Note routing of negative (-) battery cable around frame downtube.
12. If battery is to be left out of vehicle (i.e. winter storage), close left side cover.





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## Battery Installation and Connection

### CAUTION

**Connect the cables to the correct battery terminals. Failure to do so could result in damage to the motorcycle electrical system. (00215a)**

1. Open left side cover.
2. Apply a light coat of petroleum jelly or corrosion retardant material to the negative (-) battery terminal.
3. Slide fully charged battery into battery tray.
4. Insert screw through negative (-) battery cable and into negative (-) battery terminal. Thread screw into terminal. Tighten screw to 60-70 in-lbs (6.8-7.9 Nm).
5. Verify that the negative (-) battery cable is disconnected from the ground stud on crankcase,
6. Hook top of battery strap (4) to battery tray mount on top of battery. Install strap screw (5). Tighten to 36-60 in-lbs (4.1-6.8 Nm).
7. Route main positive (+) battery cable through holders on electrical bracket.

8. Hook main fuse holder (1) to top pin on battery strap and slide forward until it snaps into place.
9. Hook data link connector (6) to bottom pin on battery strap and slide forward until it snaps into place.
10. See Negative (-) Battery Cable Holder. Press negative (-) battery cable (2) into cable holder (1).

**⚠ WARNING**

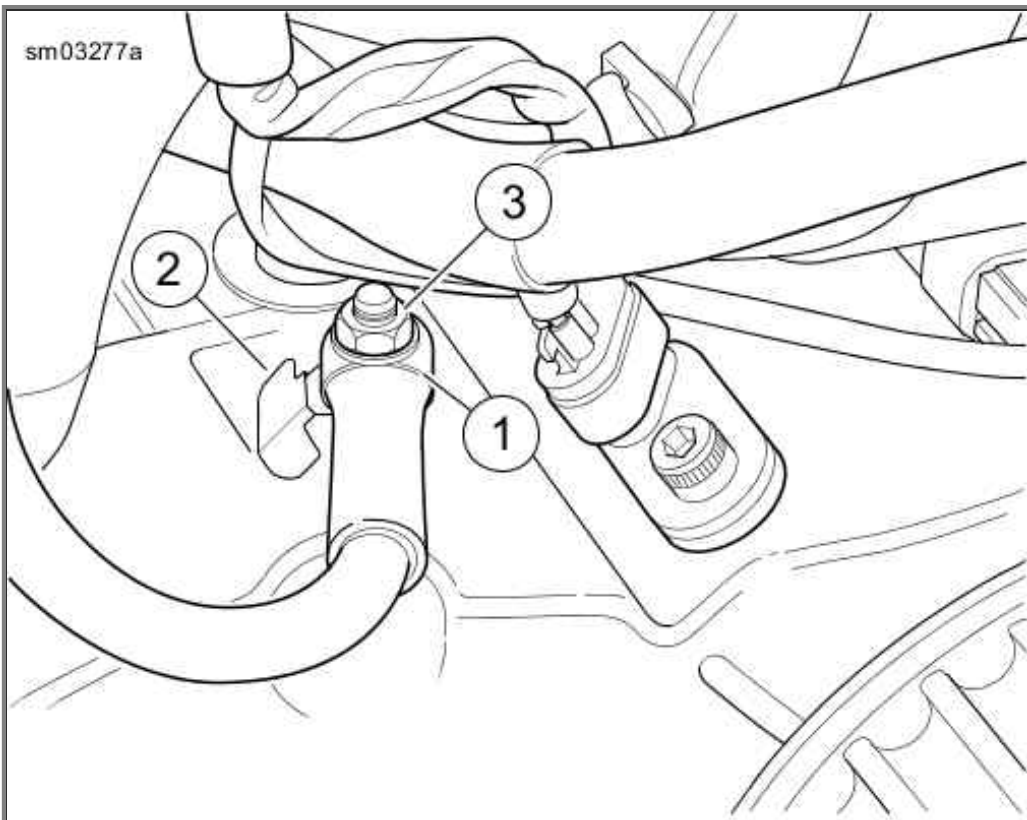
**Connect positive (+) battery cable first. If positive (+) cable should contact ground with negative (-) cable connected, the resulting sparks can cause a battery explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00068a)**

**⚠ WARNING**

**Do not allow positive (+) battery cable to contact ground with negative (-) cable connected. Resulting sparks can cause a battery explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00069a)**

11. See Main Fuse and Battery Location: All Models. With negative (-) battery cable disconnected from grounding point on crankcase, insert screw through positive (+) battery cables: through main fuse cable first, then through main positive (+) battery cable, and into positive (+) battery terminal (3). Thread screw into terminal. Tighten to 60-70 in-lbs (6.8-7.9 Nm).
12. Apply a light coat of petroleum jelly or corrosion retardant material to the positive (+) battery terminal. Place protective rubber boot over terminal.
13. See Negative (-) Battery Connection. Place negative (-) battery cable connector onto ground stud (4) on crankcase boss behind starter motor assembly (3). Thread nut onto stud.
14. See Attaching Negative (-) Battery Cable to Ground Stud Crankcase: XL Models or Attaching Negative (-) Battery Cable to Ground Stud Crankcase: XR 1200X. Press negative (-) battery cable connector (1) against cable stop (2) on crankcase and tighten nut (3) to 55-75 in-lbs (6.2-8.5 Nm).
15. Close left side cover.

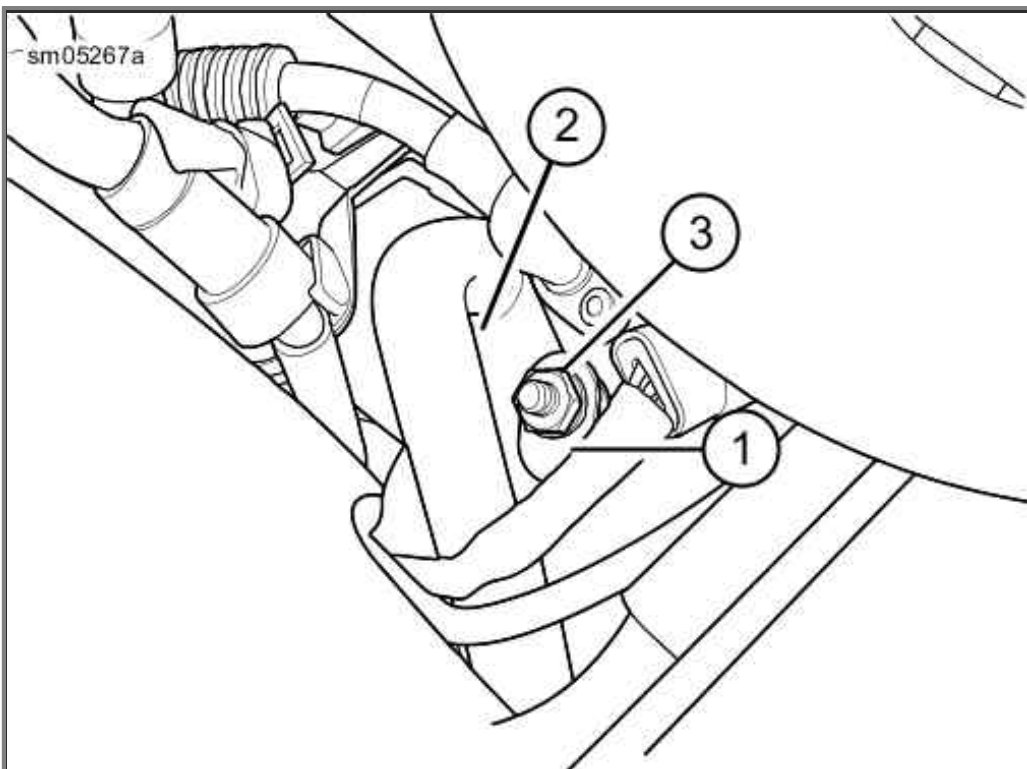
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1. Negative battery cable connector
2. Cable stop
3. Nut

**Attaching Negative (-) Battery Cable to Ground**  
**Stud Crankcase: XL Models**

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1. Negative battery cable connector
2. Cable stop
3. Nut

**Attaching Negative (-) Battery Cable to Ground**  
**Stud Crankcase: XR 1200X**

## Jump Starting

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Jump starting a motorcycle is typically not recommended. However, there may be circumstances when it is necessary to do so. If a jump-start is necessary, use the following procedure.

### **⚠WARNING**

**Be sure jumper cables touch only appropriate battery terminals or ground. Allowing jumper cables to touch each other can result in sparks and a battery explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00072a)**

### **⚠WARNING**

**Explosive hydrogen gas, which escapes during charging, could cause death or serious injury. Charge battery in a well-ventilated area. Keep open flames, electrical sparks and smoking materials away from battery at all times. KEEP BATTERIES AWAY FROM CHILDREN. (00065a)**

### **CAUTION**

**Be sure both vehicles have the same battery voltage when jump starting. Connecting vehicles with different system voltages can result in vehicle damage. (00220c)**

#### *NOTES:*

- This procedure presumes the BOOSTER battery is in another vehicle. DO NOT jump start from a running booster vehicle. The high output charging systems on some vehicles can damage the electrical components on the motorcycle.*
  - Make sure the motorcycle and the BOOSTER vehicle are not touching one another.*
1. Turn off all unnecessary lamps and accessories.

## Positive Cable

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2. See Jump Start Cable Connections. Connect one end of a jumper cable to the DISCHARGED battery positive (+) terminal (1).
3. Connect the other end of the same cable to the BOOSTER battery positive (+) terminal (2).

## Negative Cable

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### **⚠WARNING**

**Do not connect negative (-) cable to or near the discharged battery negative (-) terminal. Doing so could cause a spark and explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00073a)**

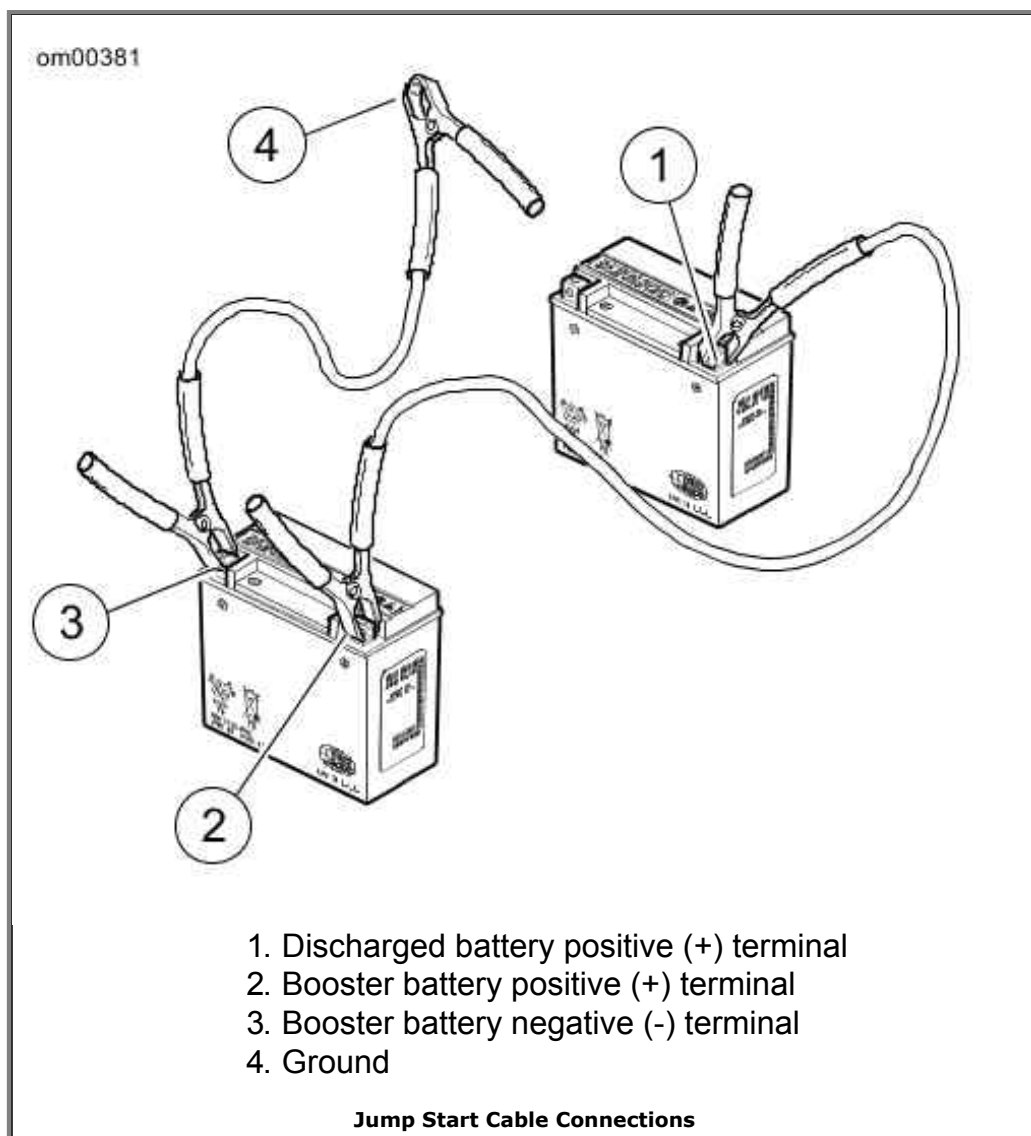
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4. Connect one end of a jumper cable to the BOOSTER battery negative (-) terminal (3).

### CAUTION

**Do not connect the negative (-) cable to painted or chrome parts. Doing so could result in discoloration at the attachment point. (00221a)**

5. Connect other end of the same cable (4) to a safe ground, (away from the DISCHARGED battery).
6. Start motorcycle.
7. Disconnect cables in reverse order of Steps 2, 3, 4, 5; that is: Steps 5, 4, 3, 2.



## Fuses and Relays

## Fuse Replacement

## CAUTION

**Always use replacement fuses that are of the correct type and amperage rating. Use of incorrect fuses can result in damage to electrical systems. (00222a)**

See Fuse Block. The fuse block is located behind the left side cover.

If replacing a fuse does not correct the problem, or if a fuse is repeatedly blown, see a Harley-Davidson dealer to diagnose any possible electrical problems.

1. Turn the ignition to the OFF position.
2. Open left side cover. See Left Side Cover.
3. See Fuse Block. Push tab to release the fuse block cover.
4. See Relay and Fuse Locations. Remove the suspect fuse and inspect the element.
5. If the element is burned or separated, replace the fuse with a properly rated automotive type ATO fuse.
6. Align fuse block cover with retaining guide. Slide the fuse block cover until tab latches.
7. Close left side cover.

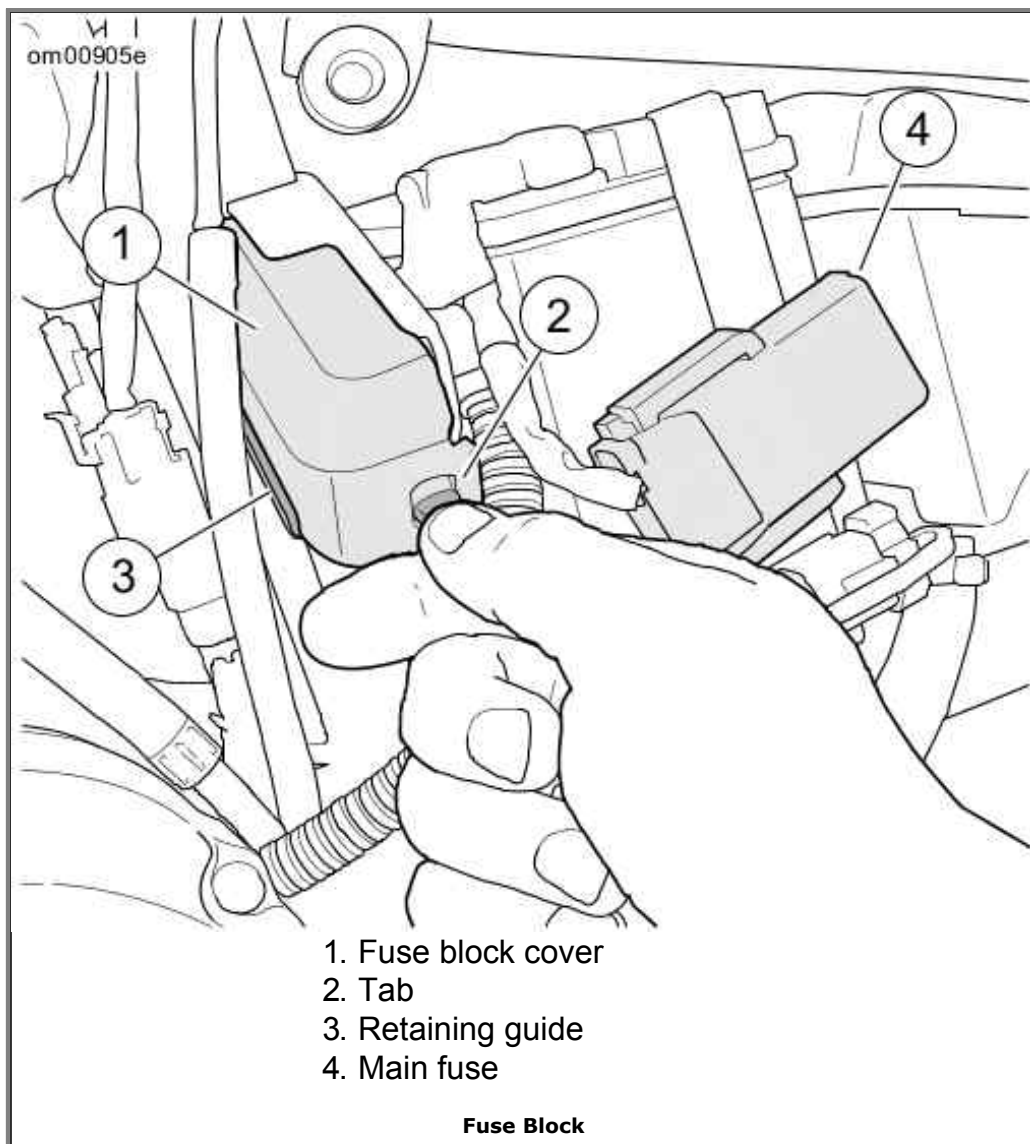
## Main Fuse

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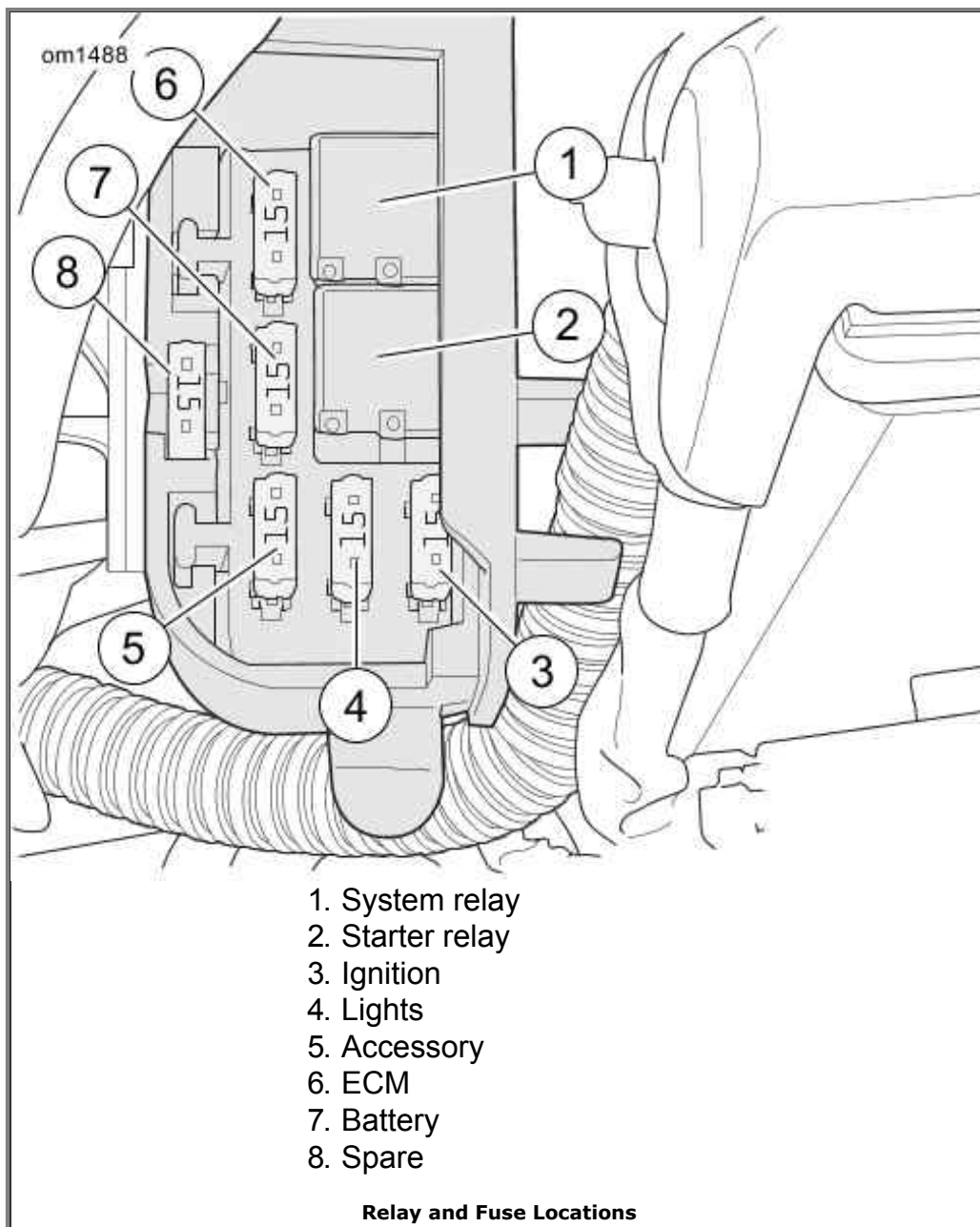
See Removing/Installing Main Fuse. The 30 amp main fuse can be removed to disconnect power from the motorcycle's entire electrical system (except starter motor/solenoid). The main fuse is located behind the left side cover.

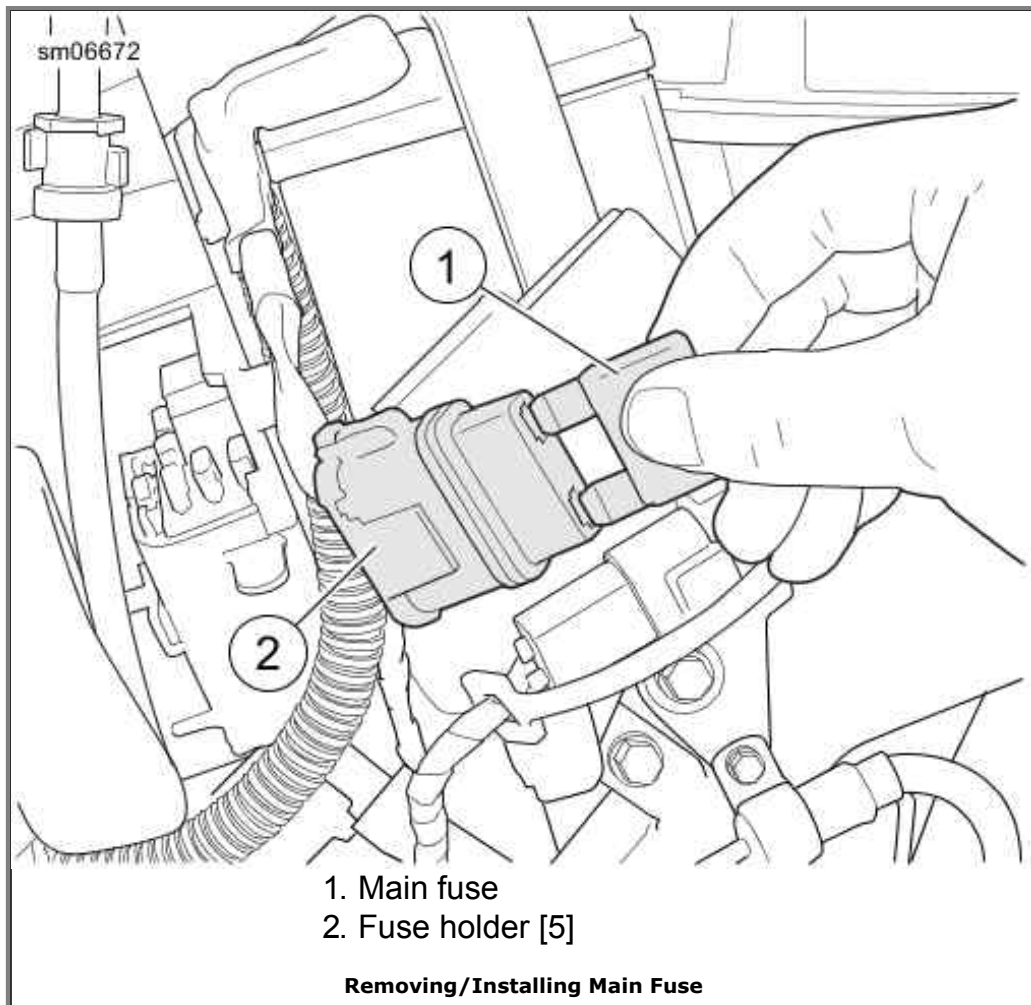
To prevent the security system siren from sounding (if equipped), turn the ignition switch ON with the hands-free fob present to disarm the security system before removing the main fuse.

To remove, grasp the fuse holder in one hand and the plastic body of the main fuse in the other. Pull the main fuse straight out of the fuse holder.









## Seat Removal: XL Models

1. See Seat Assembly: Sportster XL Models. Remove screw (1) to detach seat from rear fender.
2. Slide seat forward and lift up slightly to detach keyhole bracket from seat post. Then slide seat rearward to detach seat tongue from rear fuel tank bracket.

### NOTES:

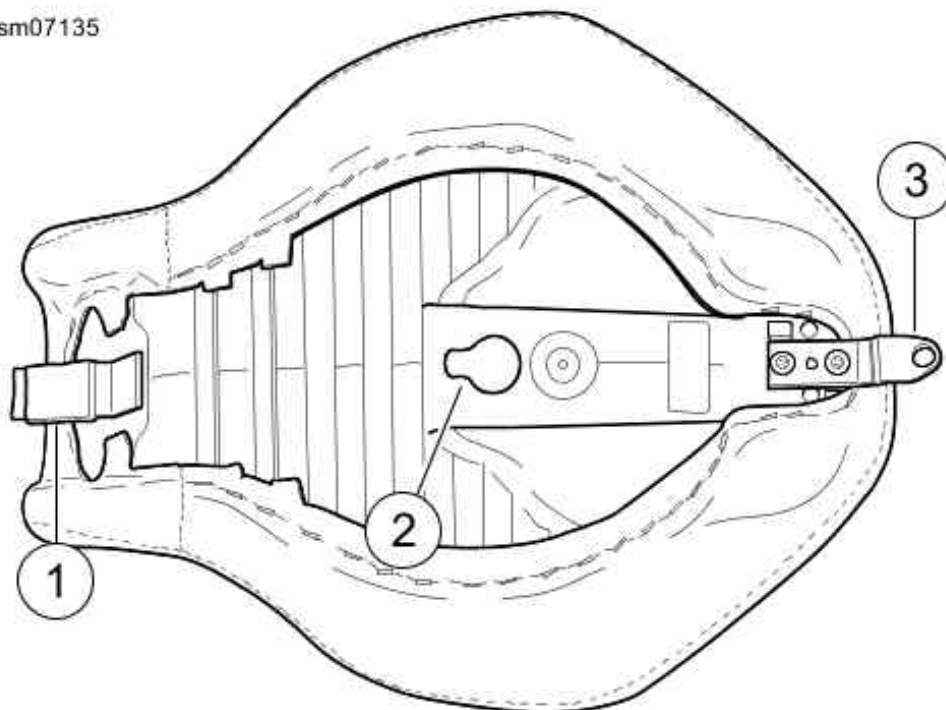
- **Solo Seat:** See *Seat: XL Solo*.
- **Two-Up Seat:** See *Seat: XL Two-Up*.

3. Verify that tongue (1) and mounting bracket (3) are tightly secured to the seat bottom.
4. If two-up seat, inspect passenger strap (4) for damage or excessive wear.

### NOTE:

*The passenger strap is not sold separately. If it is damaged, excessively worn or otherwise unusable, the entire seat assembly must be replaced.*

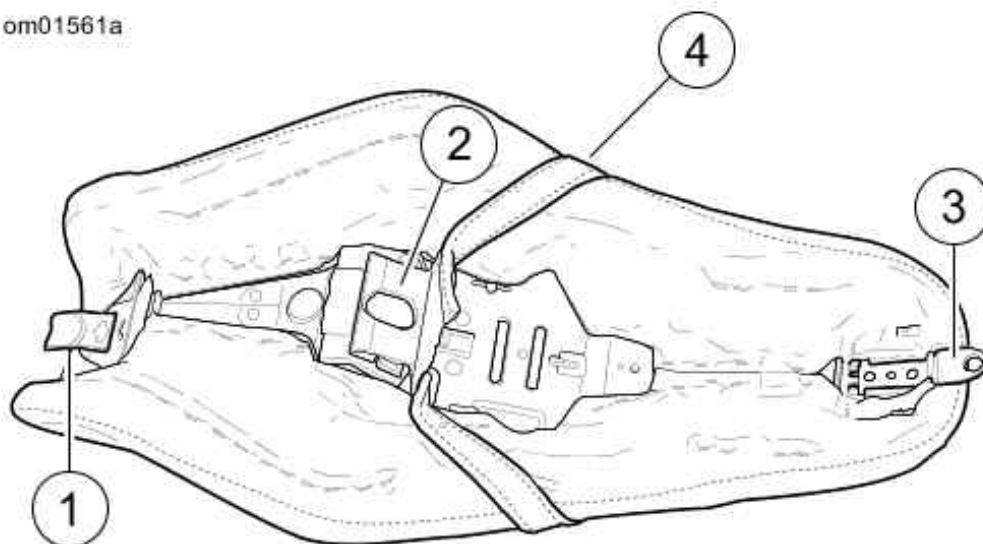
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- 1. Tongue
- 2. Keyhole
- 3. Mounting bracket

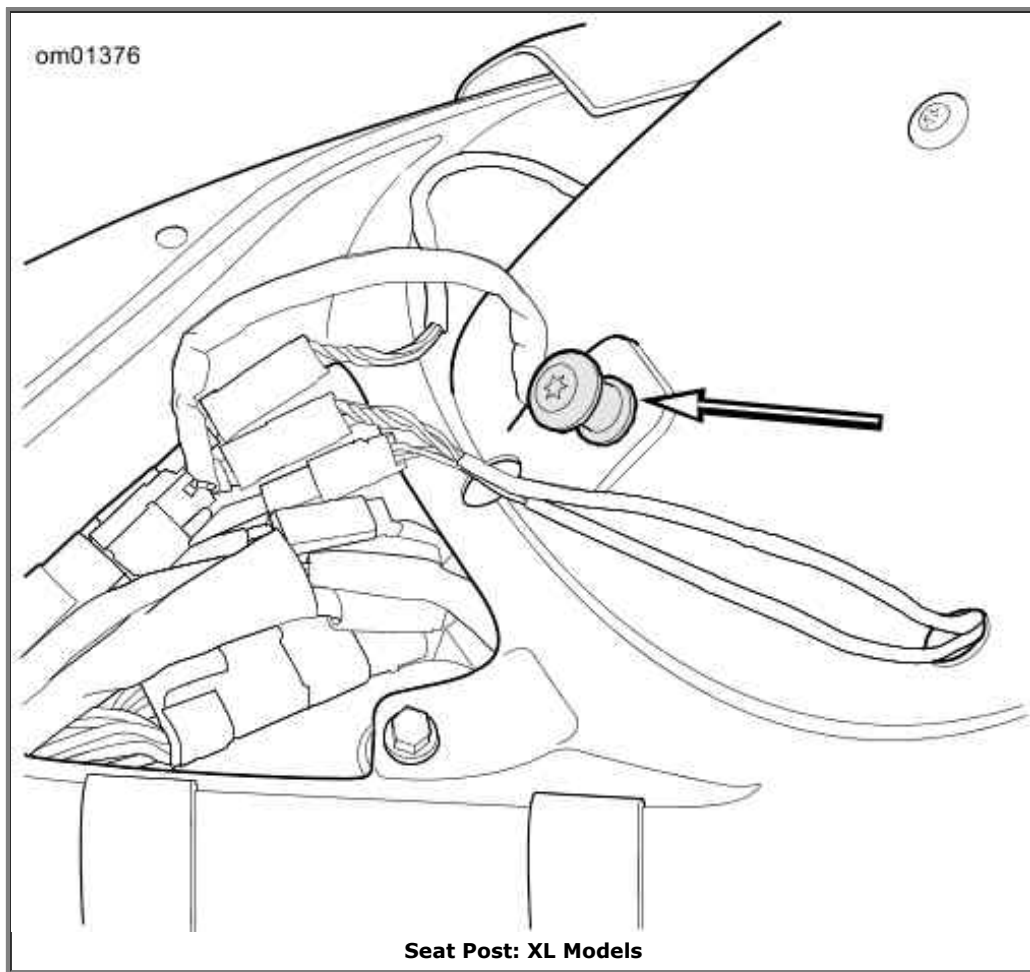
**Seat: XL Solo**

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- 1. Tongue
- 2. Keyhole
- 3. Mounting bracket
- 4. Passenger strap

**Seat: XL Two-Up**



## Seat Installation: XL Models

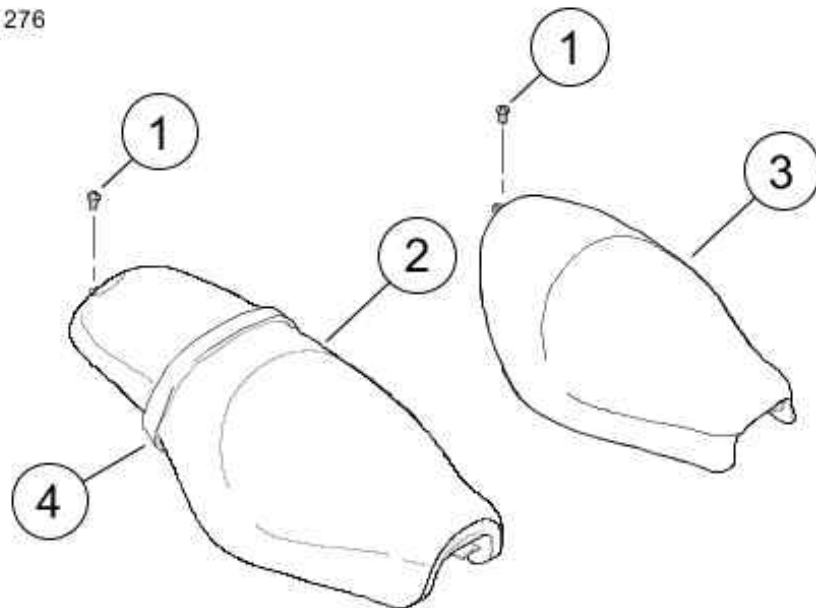
1. Position seat on frame with mounting bracket at rear.
2. Slide seat forward until the tongue fits snugly under rear fuel tank bracket.
3. Push seat forward, engage keyhole onto seat post, then pull seat back slightly.
4. See Seat Assembly: Sportster XL Models. Install seat mounting screw with captive washer (1) to fasten seat mounting bracket to top of rear fender. Mounting bracket of solo seat uses forward hole in rear fender; dual seat uses rearward hole.
5. Pull up on seat to verify that it is locked in place.
6. Tighten seat mounting screw to 20-40 in-lbs (2.3-4.5 Nm).

### **⚠ WARNING**

**After installing seat, pull upward on seat to be sure it is locked in position. While riding, a loose seat can shift causing loss of control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00070b)**

7. Pull up on seat again to verify that it is properly secured at all three points.

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1. Seat mounting screw with captive washer
2. Seat assembly, two-up (typical)
3. Seat assembly, solo (typical)
4. Passenger strap (not sold separately)

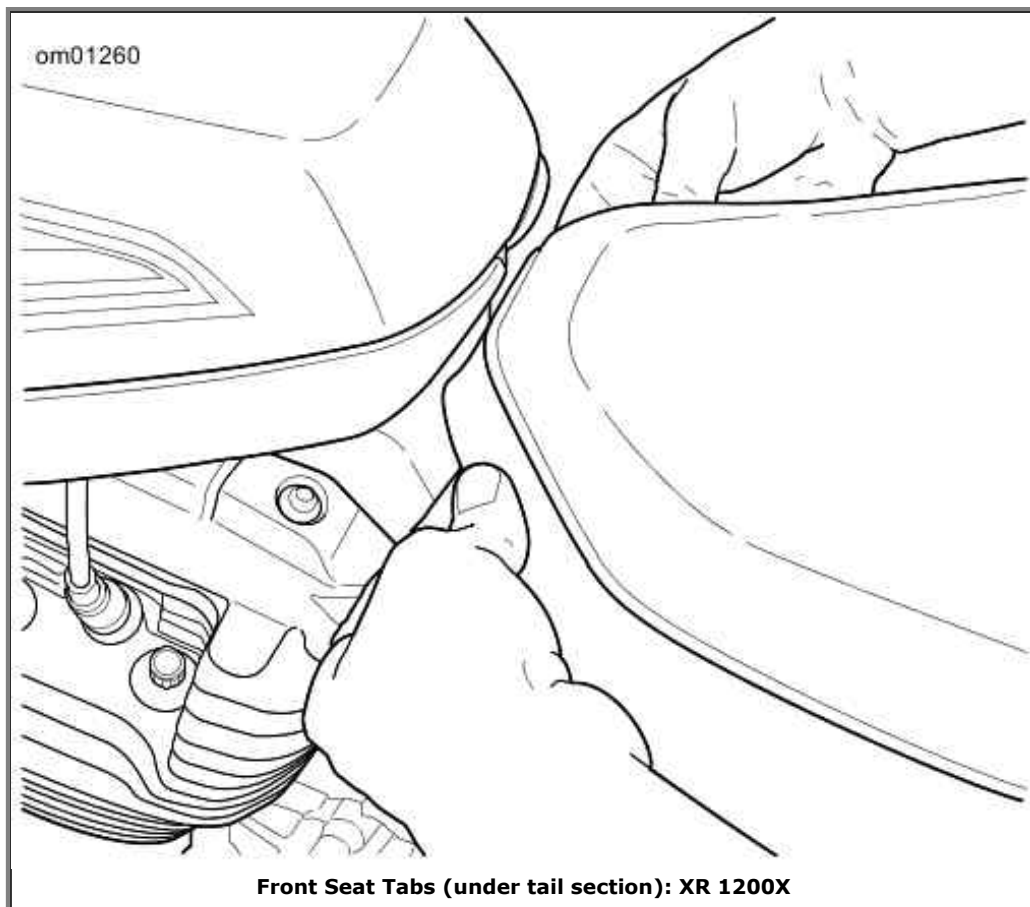
**Seat Assembly: Sportster XL Models**

## **Seat Removal: XR 1200X**

1. See Front Seat Tabs (under tail section): XR 1200X. Reach under front end of tail section and press the two seat tabs inward.
2. Pull front of seat upward to disengage seat from the front end of the tail section.
3. Pull seat forward over fuel tank.

### **NOTES:**

- *When removing the seat, verify that the mounting bracket under the seat is tightly secured to the seat bottom and that no rivets are loose or missing. Inspect passenger strap for damage or excessive wear.*
- *The passenger strap is not sold separately. If it is damaged, excessively worn, or otherwise unusable, the entire seat must be replaced.*



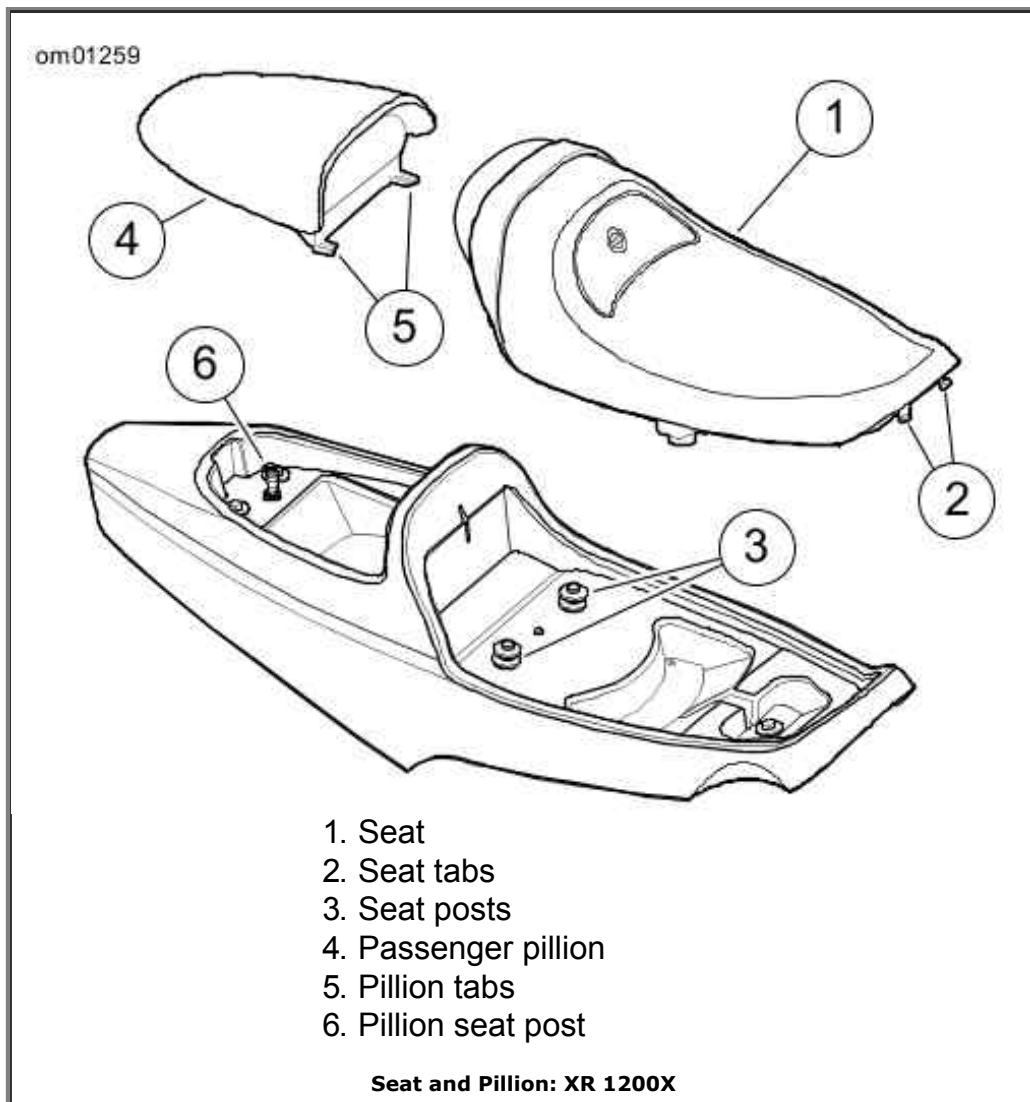
## Seat Installation: XR 1200X

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1. See Seat and Pillion: XR 1200X. Place rear of seat into tail section, aligning the guides in the seat bracket with the two seat posts.
2. Push down on front of seat until the two tabs engage the front end of tail section.

### **⚠WARNING**

**After installing seat, pull upward on seat to be sure it is locked in position. While riding, a loose seat can shift causing loss of control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00070b)**



## Passenger Pillion: XR 1200X

### Removal

1. See Passenger Pillion: XR 1200X. Lift the rear of pillion to disengage grommet from the seat post.
2. Pull pillion out from tail section.

### Installation

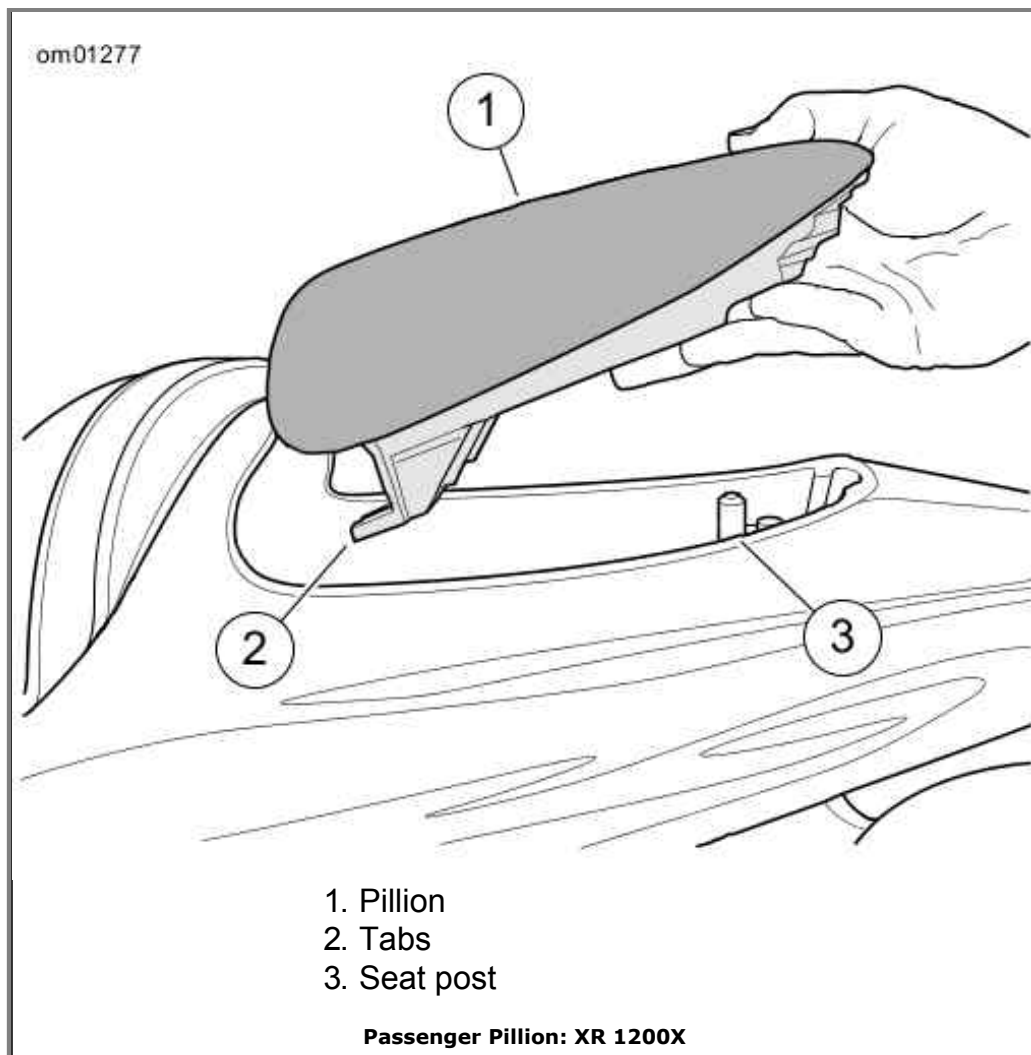
1. See Passenger Pillion: XR 1200X. Insert pillion into trunk, aligning tabs on pillion with the slots in the trunk.
2. Push down firmly on rear of pillion until grommet fully engages the seat post.

### **⚠WARNING**

**After installing seat, pull upward on seat to be sure it is locked in position. While riding, a loose seat can shift causing loss of control, which could result in death or**

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serious injury. (00070b)



## Motorcycle Storage

### Placing Motorcycle in Storage

#### CAUTION

Proper storage is important for the trouble-free operation of your motorcycle. See your Owner's Manual for storage recommendations or see a Harley-Davidson dealer. Improper storage procedures can lead to equipment damage. (00046a)

If the motorcycle will not be operated for several months, such as during the winter season, there are several tasks which should be performed. These steps will protect parts against corrosion, preserve the battery and prevent the build-up of gum and varnish in the fuel system.

#### ⚠WARNING

Do not store motorcycle with gasoline in tank within the home or garage where open flames, pilot lights, sparks or electric motors are present. Gasoline is extremely  
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**flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00003a)**

NOTE:

*Make a list of everything you do and fasten it to a handgrip. When you take the motorcycle out of storage, this list will be your reference/checklist to get your motorcycle in operating condition.*

1. Fill fuel tank and add a gasoline stabilizer. Use one of the commercially available gasoline stabilizers and follow the manufacturer's instructions.
2. Warm motorcycle to operating temperature. Change oil and turn engine over to circulate the new oil.
3. Check and adjust belt if necessary.
4. Check tire inflation. Adjust to proper inflation pressure.
5. To protect the vehicle's body panels, engine, chassis and wheels from corrosion, follow the cosmetic care procedures described in the Care and Cleaning section of this owner's manual prior to storage.
6. Prepare battery for winter storage. See Battery: General.

#### **⚠ WARNING**

**Explosive hydrogen gas, which escapes during charging, could cause death or serious injury. Charge battery in a well-ventilated area. Keep open flames, electrical sparks and smoking materials away from battery at all times. KEEP BATTERIES AWAY FROM CHILDREN. (00065a)**

NOTE:

- *If the motorcycle will be stored with the security system armed, connect a 750Ma SUPERSMART BATTERY TENDER 94654-98B to maintain battery charge.*
  - *If the motorcycle will be stored with the security system disarmed, turn the motorcycle on while the hands-free fob is present. This will prevent the optional siren from sounding. Disconnect the negative battery cable and prepare battery for storage. See Battery: General.*
7. If motorcycle is to be covered, use a material such as light canvas that will breathe. Plastic materials that do not breathe promote the formation of condensation. Do not bend or tuck antennas under the cover. Either remove the antennas (if equipped) or allow them to protrude through the cover.

## **Removing Motorcycle From Storage**

#### **⚠ WARNING**

**The clutch failing to disengage can cause loss of control, which could result in death or serious injury. Prior to starting after extended periods of storage, place transmission in gear and push vehicle back and forth several times to assure proper clutch disengagement.**

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1. See Battery: General for proper battery care. Charge and install the battery.
2. Remove and inspect the spark plugs. Replace if necessary.
3. Clean the air cleaner element.
4. Start the engine and run until it reaches normal operating temperature. Turn off engine.
5. Check amount of oil in the oil tank.
6. Check the transmission lubricant level.
7. Check controls to be sure they are operating properly. Operate the front and rear brakes, throttle, clutch and shifter.
8. Check steering for smoothness by turning the handlebars through the full operating range.

### WARNING

**Be sure tires are properly inflated, balanced and have adequate tread. Inspect your tires regularly and see a Harley-Davidson dealer for replacements. Riding with excessively worn, unbalanced or under-inflated tires can adversely affect stability and handling, which could result in death or serious injury. (00014a)**

9. Check tire pressure. Incorrect pressure will result in poor riding characteristics and can affect handling and stability.
10. Check all electrical equipment and switches including the stop lamp, turn signals and horn for proper operation.
11. Check for any fuel, oil or brake fluid leaks.

### CAUTION

**Turn engine over a few times to be sure there is no oil in the crankcase and that all oil has been pumped back into the oil tank. Stop engine and re-check oil level. Failure to do so can result in engine damage. (00071a)**

## Care and Cleaning

### Cleaning and General Care

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Clean and protect the cosmetic surfaces on your motorcycle as often as possible to inhibit rust and corrosion. After the motorcycle is cleaned, polish and seal the motorcycle to create a sacrificial barrier of protection against the weather and harsh substances.

Refer to Recommended Cleaning and Care Products and Recommended Surface Care  
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Products. Harley-Davidson cleaning products are tested extensively for use on vehicle surfaces and are formulated to be compatible with one another. See a Harley-Davidson dealer to purchase recommended cleaning products.

**NOTES:**

- *Use recommended surface care products. Paper towels, terry cloths, cloth diapers or other materials with nylon fibers can create fine scratches to surfaces.*
- *Some painted finishes and other surfaces may be scratched if gravel, dirt or grime are scraped across the surface during washing. Use clean towels and avoid rubbing sediments across gloss finishes.*
- *For repair of scratched surfaces, see a Harley-Davidson dealer.*

**⚠WARNING**

**Observe warnings on labels of cleaning compounds. Failure to follow warnings could result in death or serious injury. (00076a)**

**⚠WARNING**

**Do not wash brake discs with cleaners containing chlorine or silicone. Cleaners containing chlorine and silicone can impair brake function, which could result in death or serious injury. (00077a)**

**CAUTION**

**Do not use a pressure washer to clean motorcycle. Using a pressure washer can result in equipment damage. (00489c)**

**CAUTION**

**Use of abrasive products or powered buffing equipment will cause permanent cosmetic damage to body panels. Use only recommended products and techniques outlined in this manual to avoid damaging body panels. (00245b)**

**Recommended Cleaning and Care Products**

| PRODUCT                         | PART<br>NUMBER | PURPOSE  | FRAME | BODY<br>PANELS | WHEELS | DENIM<br>FINISH | OTHER |
|---------------------------------|----------------|--|-------|----------------|--------|-----------------|-------|
| H-D Sunwash Cleaner Concentrate | 94659-98       | General cleaning and washing of all surfaces. Prevents hard water spots and rinses clean in the sun. | Yes   | Yes            | Yes    | Yes             |       |
| H-D Bug Remover                 | 94657-98       | Removes bugs   | Yes   | Yes            | Yes    | Yes             |       |

|                                 |           |  |               |     |     |     |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--|---------------|-----|-----|-----|--|
| Harley Bug Remover              | 97007-00  | Removes bugs from metal, plastic or painted surfaces. Also available as individual wipes (97400-10).   | Yes           | Yes | Yes | Yes |  |
| Harley-Gloss                    | 94627-98  | Produces high gloss with UV protection. Allows chrome to breathe, unlike wax. Good for windshields. Also available as individual wipes (97401-10). | Yes           | Yes | Yes | No  |  |
| Harley Spray Cleaner and Polish | 99817-99B | Aerosol quick cleaner and detailer. Degreases and reduces static attraction to dust.   | Yes           | Yes | Yes | No  |  |
| Wheel and Tire Cleaner          | 94658-98  | Cleans wheels, tires, whitewalls and black-coated exhaust pipes and mufflers. Do not use on frames or anodized parts.                              | No            | No  | Yes | No  |  |
| Harley Bright Chrome Cleaner    | 94683-99  | Shines chrome-plated surfaces and cleans brushed aluminum or stainless steel surfaces.   | As applicable |     |     |     |  |
| Harley Bright Metal Polish      | 99725-89  | Polishes non-clear coated polished aluminum or polished stainless steel surfaces.  | As applicable |     |     |     |  |
| Harley Glaze                    | 99701-84  | Polishes   | Yes           | Yes | As  | No  |  |

|  |           |   |               |     |            |     |                     |
|--|-----------|---|---------------|-----|------------|-----|---------------------|
| Polish & Sealant                         |           | windshields, painted surfaces and chrome.   |               |     | applicable |     |                     |
| H-D Swirl & Scratch Treatment            | 94655-98  | Removes fine scratches and swirls.  | Yes           | Yes | No         | No  |                     |
| Harley Denim Paint Cleaner               | 94866-10  | Waterless quick cleaner and detailer.   | Yes           | Yes | Yes        | Yes |                     |
| Windshield Cleaner Individual Wipes      | 97406-10  | Quick windshield cleaner for road trips.  | Yes           | Yes | No         | No  | Windshield          |
| H-D Black Tire Sidewall Protectant       | 94628-05  | Restores luster to black tire sidewalls.  | No            | No  | No         | No  | Tires               |
| H-D Preserve Bare Aluminum Protectant    | 99845-07  | Corrosion control for bare aluminum surfaces. Also available as individual wipes (99846-10).                | As applicable |     |            |     |                     |
| H-D Windshield Water Repellent Treatment | 99841-01  | Allows water to bead and dissipate from the windshield.   | No            | No  | No         | No  | Windshield          |
| H-D Leather Dressing                     | 98261-91V | Weatherproofs and preserves leather products.   | No            | No  | No         | No  | Leather goods       |
| Harley Rejuvenator for Black Leather     | 98839-09  | Rejuvenates black leather products.   | No            | No  | No         | No  | Black leather goods |
| S100 Total Cycle Cleaner                 | 99760-85T | Cleans painted surfaces, chrome and aluminum. Rinse completely while surfaces are wet. Do not allow to dry. | Yes           | Yes | Yes        | No  |                     |
| NOVUS 1 Cleaner/Protectant               | 99837-94T | Cleans windshields, tail lamps and all plastics. Resists fingerprints,                                      | No            | No  | No         | No  | Windshield          |

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|-------------------------|-----------|--|----|----|----|----|------------|
|                         |           | fogging, smears and repels dust.   |    |    |    |    |            |
| NOVUS 2 Scratch Remover | 99836-94T | Minor scratch remover for windshields and plastics. Apply after NOVUS 1. | No | No | No | No | Windshield |

#### Recommended Surface Care Products

| PRODUCT                        | PART NO. | DESCRIPTION   |
|--------------------------------|----------|---|
| Wash Mitt                      | 94760-99 | Absorbant wool-blended washing mitten.  |
| Soft Detailing Pad             | 94790-01 | Soft pad for removing bugs and debris without scratching the surface finish.  |
| Softstrips                     | 94680-99 | For cylindrical surfaces such as handlebars, forks, pushrod covers and spokes.  |
| Softcloth                      | 94656-98 | Non-absorbant cloth for applying and buffing Swirl & Scratch treatment and Harley Glaze to painted surfaces or chrome.      |
| Soft Drying Towel              | 94791-01 | Extra-absorbant, non-streaking synthetic towel for drying. Dampen towel and wring out before using for greatest absorbancy. |
| Wheel & Spoke Brush            | 43078-99 | Cone-shaped scrub brush for wheels.   |
| Microfiber Detailing cloth     | 94663-02 | Highly absorbant detailing cloth for polishing and sealing. Contains no nylon fibers.                                       |
| S100 Detailing Swabs           | 99780-04 | Large cotton swabs for cleaning crevices and detailed surfaces.   |
| Cleaning Brush Kit             | 94844-10 | Brush kit for detailing your motorcycle.  |
| H-D Bike Wash Bucket and Apron | 94811-10 | Wash bucket with apron to hold your supplies. Includes grit guard.  |

## Washing the Motorcycle

Refer to Recommended Cleaning and Care Products and Recommended Surface Care Products for recommended cleaning and care products.

#### NOTE:

- During rinsing and washing, avoid direct spray on radio, saddlebags, trunk or Tour-Pak sealing areas (if equipped). Avoid spraying water under leather saddlebag covers (if equipped).

## Preparation

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1. Allow motorcycle to cool before rinsing or washing. Spraying water on hot surfaces can leave water spots and mineral deposits.
  2. Rinse the motorcycle from the bottom up.
  3. To loosen dried bugs or hardened dirt, allow surfaces to soak under a damp towel.

## **Cleaning the Wheels and Tires**

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1. Rinse wheel and tire surfaces. Avoid splashing brake dust on chrome or painted parts.
2. Apply Wheel and Tire Cleaner. Allow cleaner to sit for 1 minute.
3. Clean wheel with Soft Detailing Pad or Wheel & Spoke Brush. Use Softstrips to clean wheel spokes.
4. Rinse well.

## **Washing the Motorcycle**

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*NOTE:*

*Refer to the appropriate instructions in this section for cleaning leather, Denim (flat) finishes, windshields or other special surfaces.*

1. Fill a bucket with clean water.
2. Fill an H-D wash bucket with water and add H-D Sunwash Cleaner Concentrate, following the directions on the package.
3. Soak the H-D Wash Mitt in the Sunwash solution. Wash all surfaces from the top working down.
4. Spray H-D Bug Remover to remove any bugs.
5. Rinse from the bottom up, then rinse from the top down.

## **Drying the Motorcycle**

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1. Dry the surfaces of the motorcycle from the top down using a Soft Drying Towel or HOG Blaster.
2. Dampen towel in clean water and wring out the excess. The towel is more absorbent when wet.
3. Wipe across the vehicle surface.
4. Repeat as necessary until surface is completely dry.

## **Polishing and Sealing**

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*NOTE:*

*If motorcycle has Denim finish, skip the Polishing and Sealing procedure.*

1. Apply Harley Glaze Polish & Sealant with a Softcloth or Microfiber Detailing Cloth, following the instructions on the package.
2. Buff with a Softcloth.

## Finishing Tires

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Apply Harley Black to tires, following the instructions on the package.

## Denim Finish Care

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Some motorcycles have a Denim (flat or matte) finish. The Denim finish has qualities which differ from high gloss finishes on all other Harley-Davidson motorcycles. Like denim fabric, Denim paint will burnish or mar with age and use, thus adding character and personality to the finish of the motorcycle. Refer to Recommended Cleaning and Care Products for recommended products.

- If scratched, the color coat of paint does nick/scuff and these marks cannot be rubbed out.
- If polished, the finish will become less matte and more glossy over time.

## How to Clean

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**For light deposits:** Use Harley-Davidson Denim Paint Cleaner and a Softcloth. This helps remove finger prints and light soil.

**For heavier deposits:** Use H-D Sunwash and a clean Wash Mitt. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.

## Leather Care

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### NOTES:

- *Many Harley-Davidson accessories and seats are made of either treated or untreated leather or have leather inserts. Natural materials age differently and require different care than man-made materials. Seat covers and panels made of leather will gain "character", such as wrinkles, with age. Leather is porous and organic and each leather product will settle into its own distinct form with use. Your leather product will mature into its own custom shape and style from the sun, rain and time. This maturing is natural and will enhance the custom quality of your Harley-Davidson motorcycle.*
- *Leather surfaces are not designed for long-term exposure to inclement weather and should be protected with a Harley-Davidson Seat Rain Cover or Motorcycle Storage Cover (sold separately). See your Harley-Davidson dealer.*

Leather must be periodically cleaned and treated to maintain its appearance and extend its life. Clean and treat leather once a season or more frequently under adverse conditions.

### CAUTION

**Do not use bleach or detergents containing bleach on saddlebags, seats, tank panels or painted surfaces. Doing**

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**so can result in equipment damage. (00229a)**

- Do not use ordinary soap to clean leather or fur. It could dry or remove the oils from the leather.
- Use ONLY a good quality saddle soap to clean leather. Be sure you rinse saddle soap off thoroughly before treating leather.
- Never try to dry leather quickly, using artificial means. Always let leather dry naturally, at room temperature. Always allow leather to dry completely before using.

1. Vacuum or blow dust off.
2. Thoroughly clean leather with a good quality saddle soap, following manufacturer's directions. Rinse thoroughly with clean sponge or cloth and water. Allow leather to dry.
3. Once leather is dry, rejuvenate faded black leather surfaces with Harley Rejuvenation for Black Leather.
4. Treat with a good quality leather treatment, such as H-D Leather Dressing.

## Wheel Care

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Regular washing and the use of a corrosion protectant will help the wheels maintain their original appearance. Damage from harsh chemicals, acid based wheel cleaners, brake dust and lack of maintenance can occur. Refer to Recommended Cleaning and Care Products for recommended cleaning products.

### NOTES:

- *Treat new wheels with Harley Preserve to protect against corrosion. Reapply frequently to clean wheels.*
- *It is imperative that the wheels are cared for weekly to guard against pitting and corrosion.*
- *Corrosion of these components is not considered to be a defect in materials or workmanship.*
- *Aluminum wheels do not have a protective coating.*

## Windshield Care

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### CAUTION

**Polycarbonate windscreens/windshields require proper attention and care to maintain. Failure to maintain polycarbonate properly can result in damage to the windscreen/windshield. (00483d)**

### CAUTION

**Use only Harley-Davidson recommended products on Harley-Davidson windshields. Do not use harsh chemicals or rain sheeting products, which can cause windshield surface damage, such as dulling or hazing. (00231c)**

- Powdered, abrasive or alkaline cleanser will damage the windscreen/windshield. Ammonia-based window cleaners cause permanent yellow effects to windshields.

- Do not use gas station windshield cleaner as it may damage the finish.
- Do not clean in hot sun or high temperature.

Windshields require special care. Harley-Davidson recommends using Harley Softcloths to clean your windshield. Refer to Recommended Cleaning and Care Products for recommended cleaning products.

**NOTES:**

- Use *NOVUS 2 SCRATCH REMOVER* to remove minor scratches.
- To treat the windshield with water repellent use *WINDSHIELD WATER REPELLENT TREATMENT*.
- Covering the windshield with a clean, wet cloth for approximately 15-20 minutes before washing will make dried bug removal easier.

1. Use mild soap and warm water to wash the windshield.
2. Wipe dry with a clean Soft Drying Towel.

**NOTE:**

*To minimize swirl marks, cleaning should be done when motorcycle is cool and parked in the shade. Faint swirl marks are normal and may be more visible on tinted windshields.*

## Troubleshooting

### Troubleshooting: General

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#### **⚠ WARNING**

**The troubleshooting section of the Owner's Manual is a guide to diagnose problems. Read the service manual before performing any work. Improper repair and/or maintenance could result in death or serious injury. (00080a)**

The following checklist of possible operating troubles and their probable causes will be helpful in keeping your motorcycle in good operating condition. More than one of these conditions may be causing trouble and should be carefully checked.

### Engine

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#### **Starter Does Not Operate or Does Not Turn Engine Over**

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1. Engine run switch in OFF position.
2. Ignition switch not ON.
3. Discharged battery or loose or corroded connections (solenoid chatters).
4. Clutch lever not squeezed against handlebar or transmission not in neutral.
5. Jiffy stand not in retracted position (required for international models only).

6. Blown fuse.

## **Engine Turns Over But Does Not Start**

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1. Fuel tank empty.
2. Fuel filter clogged.
3. Discharged battery or loose or damaged battery terminal connections.
4. Fouled spark plugs.
5. Spark plug cable connections loose or in bad condition and shorting.
6. Loose or corroded wire or cable connection(s) at coil or battery.
7. Fuel pump inoperative.
8. Blown fuse.

## **Starts Hard**

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1. Spark plugs in bad condition, have improper gap, or are partially fouled.
2. Spark plug cables in bad condition and leaking.
3. Battery nearly discharged.
4. Loose wire or cable connection(s) at one of the battery terminals or at coil.
5. Engine oil too heavy (winter operation).
6. Fuel tank vent plugged or fuel line closed off, restricting fuel flow.
7. Water or dirt in fuel system.
8. Fuel pump inoperative.

## **Starts But Runs Irregularly or Misses**

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1. Spark plugs in bad condition or partially fouled.
2. Spark plug cables in bad condition and leaking.
3. Spark plug gap too close or too wide.
4. Battery nearly discharged.
5. Damaged wire or loose connection at battery terminals or coils.
6. Intermittent short circuit due to damaged wire insulation.
7. Water or dirt in fuel system or filter.

8. Fuel vent system plugged. See dealer.
9. One or more injectors fouled.

## **A Spark Plug Fouls Repeatedly**

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1. Incorrect spark plug.

## **Pre-ignition or Detonation (Knocks or Pings)**

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1. Incorrect fuel.
2. Incorrect spark plug.

## **Overheats**

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1. Insufficient oil supply or oil not circulating.
2. Heavy carbon deposit from lugging engine. See dealer.
3. Insufficient air flow over cylinder heads during extended periods of idling or parade duty.

## **Excessive Vibration**

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1. Rear fork pivot shaft nuts loose. See dealer.
2. Front engine mounting bolts loose. See dealer.
3. Front chain or links tight as a result of insufficient lubrication or belt badly worn.
4. Wheels and/or tires damaged. See dealer.
5. Vehicle not properly aligned. See dealer.

## **Electrical System**

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### **Alternator Does Not Charge**

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1. Regulator not grounded. See dealer.
2. Engine ground wire loose or damaged. See dealer.
3. Loose or damaged wires in charging circuit. See dealer.

### **Alternator Charge Rate is Below Normal**

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1. Weak battery.

2. Excessive use of add-on accessories.
3. Loose or corroded connections.
4. Extensive periods of idling or low speed riding.

## **Transmission**

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### **Transmission Shifts Hard**

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1. Bent shifter rod. See dealer.

### **Transmission Jumps Out of Gear**

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1. Worn shifter dogs in transmission. See dealer.

## **Clutch Slips**

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1. Clutch controls improperly adjusted. See dealer.
2. Worn friction discs. See dealer.
3. Insufficient clutch spring tension. See dealer.

### **Clutch Drags or Does Not Release**

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1. Clutch controls improperly adjusted. See dealer.
2. Primary chaincase overfilled.
3. Clutch discs warped. See dealer.

## **Clutch Chatters**

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1. Friction discs or steel discs worn or warped. See dealer.

## **Brakes**

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### **Brakes Do Not Hold Normally**

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1. Master cylinder low on fluid. See dealer.
2. Brake line contains air bubbles. See dealer.
3. Master cylinder piston worn. See dealer.
4. Brake pads contaminated with grease or oil. See dealer.

5. Brake pads badly worn. See dealer.
6. Brake disc badly worn or warped. See dealer.
7. Brake fades because of heat build up. Excessive braking or brake pads dragging. See dealer.
8. Brake drags. Insufficient hand lever freeplay. See dealer.

## **Accessories**

### **Genuine Motor Parts and Accessories**

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Stop at your Harley-Davidson dealer to pick up a copy of the Genuine Motor Parts and Accessories catalog or go to [www.harley-davidson.com](http://www.harley-davidson.com) to view thousands of Genuine Motor Accessories that are available for Harley-Davidson motorcycles.

The website includes the following tools and resources for accessorizing and personalizing your motorcycle.

### **Online Catalog**

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The full Genuine Motor Parts and Accessories catalog is available online in PDF format. The catalog includes hundreds of pages of Harley-Davidson accessories and maintenance products. For performance parts, check out the Screamin' Eagle Pro Racing Parts catalog.

### **Shop For Your Bike**

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Browse through categories of accessories and options available specifically for your motorcycle. View product descriptions, pricing, fitment and online instruction sheets for many of the available products.

### **Customizer**

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Virtually redesign your motorcycle with parts and accessories using the Customizer. This tool allows you to experiment with different accessory and color combinations and shows how your motorcycle would look with the accessories installed. You can easily create a custom list of accessories to print out for your dealer.

### **Fit Shop**

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Learn how to customize your motorcycle to fit you personally. See how making changes to the suspension, seat, handlebars or foot controls can enhance the ergonomics and comfort of your motorcycle.

### **Custom Seats**

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Create a custom seat using selected designs, colors and textured materials. Custom seat specifications can be easily printed out for your dealer.

## Custom Coverage

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## Add Accessories To Your New Ride

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Harley-Davidson is offering a limited opportunity to purchase new accessories and have them installed at an authorized Harley-Davidson dealership **and** receive the Custom Coverage extended Limited Warranty rather than the standard 90 day Parts and Accessories post purchase over-the-counter warranty.

- Limited warranty for eligible *street legal* Genuine Motor Parts and Genuine Motor Accessories to run concurrent with the remainder of the motorcycle's 24-month manufacturer's warranty.
- Visit an authorized Harley-Davidson dealership within 60 days to qualify for Custom Coverage.
- Parts and accessories must be purchased and installed at an authorized Harley-Davidson dealership to qualify for Custom Coverage.
- Visit any authorized Harley-Davidson dealership as often as you like during the 60 days after purchase to select, purchase and install accessories.

Ride, personalize, customize. Take advantage of this Custom Coverage extended Limited Warranty offer today to make your bike your Custom ride.

### NOTE:

*Customers have 60 days after the motorcycle purchase date to participate in Custom Coverage extended Limited Warranty offer. Parts and Accessories must be purchased and installed at an authorized Harley-Davidson dealership. Parts and Accessories purchased via the internet are not eligible. To locate the authorized Harley-Davidson dealership nearest you, visit the Dealer Locator on [www.harley-davidson.com](http://www.harley-davidson.com).*

## Warranties and Responsibilities

### Warranty and Maintenance

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This Owner's Manual contains your new motorcycle limited warranty and your owner's maintenance record.

It is your responsibility as the owner to follow the maintenance schedule at the mileage intervals as specified in the Owner's Manual. All of the specified maintenance services must be performed to keep your limited warranty valid.

1. Make an appointment with a Harley-Davidson dealer for inspection and service prior to the first 1000 mi 1600 km , and as soon as possible after any problem arises.
2. Bring this Owner's Manual with you when you visit your authorized Harley-Davidson dealer to have your motorcycle inspected and serviced.
3. Have the dealer technician sign the maintenance record in the Owner's Manual at the proper mileage interval. These records should be retained by the owner as proof of proper maintenance.

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4. Keep receipts covering any parts, service or maintenance performed.

These records should be transferred to each subsequent owner.

Use only Harley-Davidson approved parts and accessories that have been designed, tested and approved for your model and model year motorcycle.

Use of certain manufacturers' aftermarket performance parts may void all or parts of your limited warranty. See an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer.

Harley-Davidson authorized dealerships are independently owned and operated and may sell parts and accessories that are not manufactured or approved by Harley-Davidson. Therefore, you should understand that Harley-Davidson is not and cannot be responsible for the quality, suitability, or safety of any non-Harley-Davidson part, accessory or design modification, including labor, which may be sold and/or installed by authorized Harley-Davidson dealerships.

## Keeping It All Harley-Davidson

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Genuine Harley-Davidson parts are engineered and tested specifically for use on your motorcycle. Insist that your authorized Harley-Davidson dealer uses only Genuine Harley-Davidson replacement parts and accessories to keep your Harley-Davidson motorcycle and its limited warranty intact.

*NOTE:*

*Installing off-road or competition parts to enhance performance may void all or part of your new motorcycle limited warranty. See the Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Limited Warranty in this manual or an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer for details.*

### CAUTION

**It is possible to overload your vehicle's charging system by adding too many electrical accessories. If the combined electrical accessories operating at any one time consume more electrical current than the vehicle's charging system can produce, the electrical consumption can discharge the battery and cause damage to the vehicle's electrical system. See an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer for advice about the amount of current consumed by additional electrical accessories or for necessary wiring changes. (00211c)**

## California and Select International Markets Evaporative Emission Controls: 2011 Models

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All new 2011 Harley-Davidson motorcycles sold in the State of California and select international markets are equipped with an evaporative emission control system. This system is designed to meet CARB and local regulations in effect at the time of manufacture.

The system requires a small amount of maintenance. Periodic inspection is required to make sure hoses are properly routed, not kinked or blocked and that all fittings are secure. Mounting hardware should also be checked periodically for tightness.

## EPA Noise Regulations in the United States

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EPA noise regulations require that the following statements be included in the Owner's Manual.

## **EPA Regulations**

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**TAMPERING WITH NOISE CONTROL SYSTEM PROHIBITED:** Federal law prohibits the following acts or the causing thereof: (1) The removal or rendering inoperative by any person other than for purposes of maintenance, repair, or replacement of any device or element of design incorporated into any new vehicle for the purpose of noise control prior to its sale or delivery to the ultimate purchaser or while it is in use, or (2) the use of the vehicle after such device or element of design has been removed or rendered inoperative by any person.

**AMONG THOSE ACTS PRESUMED TO CONSTITUTE TAMPERING ARE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Replacing the muffler(s) and/or the entire exhaust system with parts not certified to be noise legal for street use.
2. Removing or modifying the muffler internal baffles in any way.
3. Replacing the air intake/cleaner assembly with one not certified to be noise legal for street use.
4. Modifying the air intake/cleaner assembly in such a way as to make the vehicle no longer noise legal for street use.

Harley-Davidson recommends that any and all noise related maintenance be done by an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer using genuine Harley-Davidson parts.

## **Warranty/Service Information**

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Any authorized Harley-Davidson dealer is responsible for providing the warranty repair work on your motorcycle. The fact that a dealership performs warranty repairs does not create an agency relationship between Harley-Davidson Motor Company and the authorized dealership. If you have any questions regarding warranty obligations contact your authorized Harley-Davidson dealer.

For normal service work or warranty work under the above conditions, you may obtain the name and location of your nearest U.S. authorized Harley-Davidson dealer by calling 800-490-9635 (toll free), in any state except Alaska and Hawaii. To find dealers worldwide, see [www.harley-davidson.com](http://www.harley-davidson.com).

## **Reporting Safety Defects in United States**

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Safety defects must be reported to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and Harley-Davidson.

## **NHTSA Statement**

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If you believe that your motorcycle has a defect which could cause a crash or could cause injury or death, you should immediately inform the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in addition to notifying Harley-Davidson.

If NHTSA receives similar complaints, it may open an investigation, and if it finds that a safety

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defect exists in a group of motorcycles, it may order a recall and remedy campaign. However, NHTSA cannot become involved in individual problems between you, your authorized Harley-Davidson dealer, or Harley-Davidson.

Refer to NHTSA Contacts to contact NHTSA.

#### NHTSA Contacts

| ITEM     | DATA   |
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| Phone    | Call the Auto Safety Hot Line toll-free at 888-DASH-2DOT   |
| Mail     | U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Office of Defects Investigation, NVS-210, 400 7th Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590 |
| Web site | <a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov">www.nhtsa.dot.gov</a>   |

You can also obtain other information about motor vehicle safety from the hot line.

### Required Documentation for Imported Motorcycles

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If a Harley-Davidson motorcycle is imported into the United States, additional documentation is required to be eligible for the United States Harley-Davidson's Limited Warranty. A Harley-Davidson dealer can provide a form explaining the requirements.

### Owner Contact Information

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If you move from your present address, sell your motorcycle, or purchase a pre-owned Harley-Davidson motorcycle, see an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer to update your owner contact information.

This will provide Harley-Davidson with an accurate registration (as required by law in some countries), and will allow Harley-Davidson to notify you in the event of a recall or product program.

Updated owner information must also be on file with Harley-Davidson when transferring an Extended Service Plan Contract on a pre-owned motorcycle.

When updating your contact information, your authorized Harley-Davidson dealer will need your vehicle identification number (VIN), odometer mileage, and date of vehicle transfer (if applicable).

## Limited Motorcycle Warranty

### 2011 HARLEY-DAVIDSON MOTORCYCLE LIMITED WARRANTY

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### 24 Months/Unlimited Miles

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Harley-Davidson warrants for any new 2011 Harley-Davidson motorcycle/sidecar that an

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authorized Harley-Davidson dealer will repair or replace without charge any parts found under normal use to be defective in factory materials or workmanship. Such repair or replacement will be Harley-Davidson's sole obligation and your sole remedy under this limited warranty.

THERE IS NO OTHER EXPRESS WARRANTY (OTHER THAN THE SEPARATE EMISSIONS AND NOISE LIMITED WARRANTIES) ON THE MOTORCYCLE/SIDECAR. ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR PARTICULAR PURPOSE IS LIMITED TO THE DURATION OF THIS LIMITED WARRANTY.

Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, NEITHER HARLEY-DAVIDSON NOR ITS AUTHORIZED DEALERS SHALL BE LIABLE FOR LOSS OF TIME, INCONVENIENCE, LOSS OF MOTORCYCLE/SIDECAR USE, COMMERCIAL LOSS OR OTHER INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights which vary from state to state.

The following terms and conditions apply to this limited warranty:

## **Duration**

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1. The duration of this limited warranty is twenty-four months, starting from the earlier of (a) the date of initial retail purchase and delivery from an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer, or (b) the third anniversary of the last day of the model year of the motorcycle/sidecar. Your authorized Harley-Davidson dealer will submit an electronic Sales and Warranty Registration form to initiate your limited warranty.
2. Any unexpired portion of this limited warranty will be transferred to subsequent owners, upon the resale of the motorcycle/sidecar during the limited warranty period.

## **Owner's Obligations**

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To obtain warranty service, return your motorcycle/sidecar at your expense within the limited warranty period to an authorized dealer. The authorized Harley-Davidson dealer should be able to provide warranty service during normal business hours and as soon as possible, depending upon the workload of the authorized dealer's service department and the availability of necessary parts.

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## **Exclusions**

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This limited warranty will not apply to any motorcycle/sidecar as follows:

1. Which has not been operated or maintained as specified in the Owner's Manual.
2. Which has been abused, neglected, misused, improperly stored, used "off the highway," or

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used for racing or competition of any kind.

3. Which is not manufactured to comply with the laws of the market in which it is registered.
4. Installing off-road or competition parts to enhance performance, or making other unapproved modifications, may void all or part of your new motorcycle/sidecar limited warranty. See an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer for details.
5. Acts of God, war, riot, insurrection, natural disasters, including, but not limited to, nuclear contamination, lightning, forest fires, dust storms, hail storms, ice storms, earthquakes, floods, or for other circumstances out of Harley-Davidson's control.
6. Which has been in an accident, collision, dropped or struck.

## Other Limitations

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This warranty does not cover:

1. Parts and labor for normal maintenance as recommended in the Owner's Manual, or the replacement of parts due to normal wear and tear including, but not limited to, the following: tires, lubrication, oil and filter change, fuel system cleaning, battery maintenance, engine tune-up, spark plugs, brake, clutch, chain/belt adjustment and chain replacement.
2. Cosmetic concerns that arise as a result of owner abuse, lack of proper maintenance or environmental conditions (except concerns that result from defects in factory materials or workmanship, which are covered by this limited warranty for the duration of the limited warranty period).
3. Any cosmetic condition existing at the time of retail delivery that has not been documented by the authorized Harley-Davidson selling dealer prior to retail delivery.
4. Defects or damage to the motorcycle/sidecar caused by alterations outside of Harley-Davidson's factory specifications.

## Important: Read Carefully

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1. Authorized Harley-Davidson dealers are independently owned and operated and may sell non-Harley-Davidson products. Because of this, HARLEY-DAVIDSON IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY, QUALITY, OR SUITABILITY OF ANY NON-HARLEY-DAVIDSON PART, ACCESSORY OR DESIGN MODIFICATION INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, LABOR WHICH MAY BE SOLD AND/OR INSTALLED BY AUTHORIZED HARLEY-DAVIDSON DEALERS.
2. This limited warranty is a contract between you and Harley-Davidson. It is separate and apart from any warranty you may receive or purchase from an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer. An authorized Harley-Davidson dealer is not authorized to alter, modify, or in any way change the terms and conditions of this limited warranty.
3. Any warranty work or parts replacement authorized by Harley-Davidson will not preclude Harley-Davidson from later relying on any exclusion where applicable.

## Limited Noise Warranty

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## **2011 HARLEY-DAVIDSON MOTORCYCLE NOISE CONTROL SYSTEM LIMITED WARRANTY**

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The following limited warranty applies to the noise control system, is in addition to the MOTORCYCLE LIMITED WARRANTY and EMISSION CONTROL SYSTEM LIMITED WARRANTY, and applies only to Harley-Davidson motorcycles sold in the U.S.

Harley-Davidson warrants to the first owner and each subsequent owner that this motorcycle is designed and built so as to conform at the time of sale with applicable regulations of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (as tested following F-76 Drive-By test procedure) and that it is free from defects in factory materials and workmanship which can cause this motorcycle not to meet U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Standards within one (1) year from initial retail purchase and delivery from an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer or one (1) year from the [second] anniversary of the last day of the model year of the motorcycle, or 3,730 miles 6,000 kilometers whichever occurs first. Any unexpired portion of this limited warranty will be transferred to subsequent owners, upon the resale of the motorcycle during the limited warranty period. If the motorcycle was used as a demonstrator or company motorcycle, then the limited warranty period may have started and/or expired prior to the initial retail sale. See an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer for details.

THERE IS NO OTHER EXPRESS WARRANTY (OTHER THAN THE SEPARATE MOTORCYCLE AND EMISSIONS LIMITED WARRANTIES) ON THE MOTORCYCLE. ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR PARTICULAR PURPOSE IS LIMITED TO THE DURATION OF THIS LIMITED WARRANTY.

Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

The limited one year warranty period shall begin on the date the motorcycle is delivered to the first retail purchaser or, if the motorcycle is placed in service as a demonstrator or company motorcycle prior to sale at retail, on the date it is first placed in service.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NOT COVERED BY THE NOISE CONTROL SYSTEM LIMITED WARRANTY

1. Failures which arise as a result of misuse, alteration, or non-performance of maintenance as specified in the Owner's Manual.
2. Replacing, removing, or modifying any portion of the NOISE CONTROL SYSTEM (consisting of the exhaust system and air intake/cleaner assembly) with parts not certified to be noise legal for street use.
3. Any motorcycle on which the odometer mileage has been changed so that the mileage cannot be determined.
4. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, HARLEY-DAVIDSON AND ITS AUTHORIZED DEALERS SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR LOSS OF TIME, INCONVENIENCE, LOSS OF MOTORCYCLE USE, COMMERCIAL LOSS OR OTHER INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

### **Other Rights**

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This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights which vary from state to state.

## **Recommendations for Required Maintenance**

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It is recommended that any noise system maintenance be performed by an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer using genuine Harley-Davidson replacement parts. The maintenance, replacement or repair of the noise control system may be performed by any other qualified service outlet or individual. Non genuine Harley-Davidson parts may be used only if such parts are certified to comply with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Standards.

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## **Limited Emission Warranty**

### **2011 HARLEY-DAVIDSON EMISSION CONTROL SYSTEM LIMITED WARRANTY**

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The following limited warranty applies to the emission control system, is in addition to the MOTORCYCLE LIMITED WARRANTY and NOISE CONTROL SYSTEM LIMITED WARRANTY, and applies only to Harley-Davidson motorcycles sold in the U.S. Refer to the "CALIFORNIA EMISSIONS CONTROL WARRANTY STATEMENT" for additional warranty provisions applicable to California motorcycles.

Harley-Davidson Motor Company warrants to the first owner and each subsequent owner that this vehicle is designed, built, and equipped so as to conform at the time of sale with applicable regulations under section 7521 of Title 42 of the United States Code, and that it is free from defects in materials and workmanship which would cause this motorcycle to fail to conform with applicable regulations for five (5) years from the initial retail purchase and delivery from an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer (or five (5) years from the date the motorcycle is first placed in service, if it is first placed in service as a "demonstrator" or "company" motorcycle prior to delivery), or 18,641 miles 30,000 kilometers, whichever occurs first. Any unexpired portion of this limited warranty will be transferred to subsequent owners, upon the resale of the motorcycle during the warranty period.

THERE IS NO OTHER EXPRESS WARRANTY (OTHER THAN THE SEPARATE MOTORCYCLE AND NOISE LIMITED WARRANTIES) ON THE MOTORCYCLE. ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR PARTICULAR PURPOSE IS LIMITED TO THE DURATION OF THIS WARRANTY.

Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

The limited warranty period shall begin on the date the motorcycle is delivered to the first retail purchaser or, if the motorcycle is placed in service as a demonstrator or company motorcycle prior to sale at retail, on the date it is first placed in service.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NOT COVERED BY THE EMISSION CONTROL SYSTEM LIMITED WARRANTY

1. Failures which arise as a result of misuse, alterations, accident or non-performance of maintenance as specified in the Owner's Manual.

2. The replacement of parts (such as spark plugs, fuel and oil filters, etc.) used in required maintenance.
3. Any motorcycle on which the odometer mileage has been changed so that the mileage cannot be determined.
4. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, HARLEY-DAVIDSON AND ITS AUTHORIZED DEALERS SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR LOSS OF TIME, INCONVENIENCE, LOSS OF MOTORCYCLE USE, COMMERCIAL LOSS OR OTHER INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

## Items Covered by this Emission Warranty

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The emission performance warranty covers the following "warranted parts" only:

**Basic Mechanical Components-Engine:** Intake and exhaust valves; drive belts; manifold and cylinder head bolts; engine oil and filter; engine coolant; cooling system hoses, and connections; oil injection metering system

**Fuel System:** Fuel specification-octane rating, lead content; carburetor-idle RPM, mixture ratio; choke mechanism; fuel system filter and fuel system lines and connections; choke plate and linkage.

**Ignition Components:** ignition timing and advance systems, distributor breaker points and condenser; spark plugs; ignition wiring; operating parts of distributor.

**Crankcase Ventilation System:** PCV valve; ventilation hoses; oil filter breather cap; manifold inlet (carburetor spacer, etc.)

**External Exhaust Emission Control System:** Secondary air injection system hoses; air system manifolds; control valves and air pump; manifold reactors; catalytic converters; exhaust recirculation; water injection.

**Evaporative Emission Control System:** Engine compartment hose connections; carbon storage media; fuel tank pressure-relief valve operation; fuel vapor control valves.

**Air Inlet Components:** Carburetor air cleaner filter; hot air control valve.

Detailed instructions for proper maintenance and use of this motorcycle, including the time and/or mileage intervals at which such instructions are to be performed, may be found in this Owner's Manual under Regular Service Intervals.

## Other Rights

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This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights which vary from state to state.

## Recommendations for Required Maintenance

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It is recommended that any emission system maintenance be performed by an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer using genuine Harley-Davidson replacement parts. The maintenance, replacement or repair of the emissions control system may be performed by any other qualified service outlet or individual. Non-genuine Harley-Davidson parts may be used only if such parts are certified to comply with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Standards.

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## **California Emissions Control Warranty**

### **CALIFORNIA EMISSIONS CONTROL WARRANTY STATEMENT**

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#### **Your Warranty Rights and Obligations**

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The California Air Resources Board and Harley-Davidson Motor Company are pleased to explain the emission control system warranty on your 2011 model year motorcycle. In California, new motor vehicles must be designed, built and equipped to meet the State's stringent anti-smog standards. Harley-Davidson Motor Company must warrant the emission control system on your motorcycle for the periods of time listed below provided there has been no abuse, unapproved modification, neglect or improper maintenance of your vehicle.

Your emission control system may include parts such as the carburetor or fuel-injection system, the ignition system, catalytic converter, and engine computer. Also included may be hoses, belts, connectors and other emission-related assemblies.

Where a warrantable condition exists, within the warranty period noted below, your authorized Harley-Davidson dealer will repair your motorcycle at no cost to you including diagnosis, parts and labor.

#### **Manufacturer's Warranty Coverage**

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For a period of use of five years or 18,641 miles 30,000 kilometers , whichever first occurs, beginning on the date the vehicle is delivered to the ultimate purchaser:

If any emission related part on your motorcycle is defective, the part will be repaired or replaced by Harley-Davidson Motor Company. This is your emission control system DEFECTS WARRANTY.

#### **Owner's Warranty Responsibilities**

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As the motorcycle owner, you are responsible for the performance of the required maintenance listed in your Owner's Manual. Harley-Davidson recommends that you retain all receipts covering maintenance on your motorcycle, but Harley-Davidson cannot deny emissions warranty coverage solely for the lack of receipts or for your failure to ensure the performance of all scheduled maintenance.

You are responsible for presenting your motorcycle to an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer as soon as a problem exists. The warranty repairs should be completed in a reasonable amount of time, not to exceed 30 days.



As the motorcycle owner, you should also be aware that Harley-Davidson may deny you warranty coverage if your motorcycle or a part has failed due to abuse, neglect, improper maintenance or unapproved modifications.

If you have any questions regarding your warranty rights and responsibilities, you should contact Harley-Davidson Customer Service Department at (414) 343-4056, or the California Air Resources Board at 9528 Telstar Ave., El Monte, California 91731.

## **Additional Warranty Terms**

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The warranty period starts the date the motorcycle is delivered to the ultimate purchaser or, if the motorcycle is placed in service as a demonstrator or company motorcycle prior to sale at retail, the date it is first placed in service.

The emission control system of each new Harley-Davidson® motorcycle was designed, built and tested using only Genuine Harley-Davidson parts and with these parts the motorcycle is certified as being in conformity with California emission control regulations.

We recommend that you go only to an authorized Harley-Davidson Dealer for repairs under this warranty. The dealer has factory-trained mechanics and Genuine Harley-Davidson parts. However, in the case of an "emergency" (as defined below), you could have repairs performed at any available service establishment or by the owner, using any replacement part. An authorized Harley-Davidson dealer not being reasonably available, or a part not being available within a reasonable time period (not to exceed 30 days from the time the motorcycle is initially presented to a Harley-Davidson dealer for repair) constitutes an emergency. Harley-Davidson will reimburse the owner for such repairs, including diagnosis, only if it is established that the repairs are covered under this emission warranty. Harley-Davidson's parts reimbursement, however, will not exceed our suggested retail price for all warranted parts replaced and our labor reimbursement will be limited to our recommended time allowances for emission system repairs at the geographically appropriate hourly labor rate.

To obtain reimbursement from Harley-Davidson for such emergency repairs, you must keep all failed parts and original receipts, so you can present them to an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer for inspection. Harley-Davidson recommends that you bring your motorcycle to an authorized dealer for inspection to ensure that the emergency repairs were done properly.

**Remember:** Use of replacement parts which are not equal in quality to Genuine Harley-Davidson parts may impair the effectiveness of the emission control system or otherwise damage your motorcycle. If other than Genuine Harley-Davidson parts are used for maintenance, replacement or repair of components affecting emission control, you should obtain written assurances that such non-Harley-Davidson parts are warranted by their manufacturer to be equal in quality to Genuine Harley-Davidson parts in both performance and durability. The use of non-Harley-Davidson replacement parts does not invalidate the existing warranty, if any, on other Harley-Davidson components unless the non-Harley-Davidson parts cause damage to warranted parts or result in the creation of an emissions non-compliant vehicle. However, HARLEY-DAVIDSON ASSUMES NO LIABILITY UNDER THIS WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO ANY PARTS WHICH ARE NOT GENUINE HARLEY-DAVIDSON PARTS, unless Harley-Davidson parts cause damage to non-genuine Harley-Davidson parts.

## **What Is Covered By This Emission Warranty**

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The emission control system warranty covers the following "warranted parts" only:

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- Intake manifold
- Air cleaner backplate with solenoid operated door, as applicable
- Ignition Module
- Spark plug at first 10,000 mi 16,000 km
- Ignition coil
- Ignition wires
- Charcoal canister
- Vapor valve
- Catalytic converter mufflers, as applicable
- VOES switch
- Purge control valves
- MAP sensor
- Petcock valve

### **Fuel Injection:**

- Induction module (including all sensors, injectors and all their associated connectors)
- Cylinder head temperature sensor
- Barometric pressure sensor
- Electronic control unit
- Regulator/fuel Ppump (for leaks and/or high and low pressure failures)
- Oxygen sensors

### **Fuel Tank:** (non-cosmetic failures only)

- Leaks
- Fuel vapor separator
- Fuel cap

If used on the above: hoses, clamps, fittings, tubing, sealing gaskets and mounting hardware

## **What Is Not Covered By This Emission Warranty**

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The emission control system warranty does not cover:

Malfunctions in any "warranted parts" caused by any of the following: abuse, misuse, unapproved modification or alteration, tampering, disconnection, or improper or inadequate maintenance. The warranty also does not cover replacement of listed parts in the event that the vehicle has been rendered emissions non-compliant in the state of California through actions noted above.

Damage resulting from accident, acts of nature or other events beyond the control of Harley-Davidson.

The repair or replacement of "warranted parts" which are scheduled for replacement prior to 18,641 mi 30,000 km (such as spark plugs, which are scheduled for replacement at 10,000 mi 16,000 km , once these parts have been replaced at the first replacement interval as part of required maintenance services.

Repairs and services performed by anyone other than an authorized Harley-Davidson Dealer (except in case of emergency as defined above).

Loss of time, inconvenience, loss of use of the motorcycle, towing of the vehicle, or commercial loss and/or consequential damages.

Repairs on any motorcycle of which odometer mileage has been changed so that mileage cannot be readily determined.

## Maintenance Scheduling

### Regular Service Intervals

Regular lubrication and maintenance will help keep your new Harley-Davidson operating at peak performance. Your Harley-Davidson dealer knows best how to service your motorcycle with factory approved methods and equipment assuring you of thorough and competent workmanship.

#### NOTES:

- *Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models. Regular maintenance interval operations are required to keep your new motorcycle warranty in force. The use of other than Harley-Davidson approved parts and service procedures may void the warranty. Any alterations to the emission system components, such as the exhaust system, may be in violation of Federal and State laws.*
- *Refer to Owner's Maintenance Records. When servicing your motorcycle, bring this owner's manual to the dealership and complete information needed in the blank columns listed.*

#### ⚠ WARNING

Perform the service and maintenance operations as indicated in the regular service interval table. Lack of regular maintenance at the recommended intervals can affect the safe operation of your motorcycle, which could result in death or serious injury. (00010a)

#### ⚠ WARNING

If you operate your motorcycle under adverse conditions (severe cold, extreme heat, very dusty environment, very bad roads, through standing water, etc.), you should perform the regular maintenance intervals more frequently to ensure the safe operation of your motorcycle. Failure to maintain your motorcycle could result in death or serious injury. (00094a)

Regular Service Intervals: 2011 Sportster Models

| ITEM SERVICED              | PROCEDURE                              | 1000<br>mi | 5000<br>mi | 10,000<br>mi | 15,000<br>mi | 20,000<br>mi | 25,000<br>mi | 30,000<br>mi | NOTES |
|----------------------------|--|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|
|                            |  | 1600<br>km | 8000<br>km | 16,000<br>km | 24,000<br>km | 32,000<br>km | 40,000<br>km | 48,000<br>km |       |
| Engine oil and filter      | Replace                                | X          | X          | X            | X            | X            | X            | X            | 3     |
| Oil lines and brake system | Inspect for leaks, contact or abrasion | X          | X          | X            | X            | X            | X            | X            | 1, 3  |
| Air cleaner                | Inspect, service as                    |            | X          | X            | X            | X            | X            | X            |       |

|                                     |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |
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|                                     | required   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |
| Tires                               | Check pressure, inspect tread                                    | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |      |
| Wheel spokes (if equipped)          | Check tightness  | X | X |   |   | X |   |   | 1, 5 |
| Transmission lubricant              | Replace  | X |   | X |   | X |   | X |      |
| Clutch                              | Check adjustment   | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | 1    |
| Primary chain                       | Check adjustment   | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |      |
| Drive belt and sprockets            | Inspect, adjust belt   | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | 1    |
| Throttle, brake and clutch controls | Check, adjust and lubricate                                      | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | 1    |
| Jiffy stand                         | Inspect and lubricate  | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | 1    |
| Fuel lines and fittings             | Inspect for leaks, contact or abrasion                           | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | 1, 3 |
| Fuel tank filter screen             | Replace  |   |   |   |   |   | X |   | 1    |
| Brake fluid                         | Inspect sight glass  | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | 4    |
| Brake pads and discs                | Inspect for wear   | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |      |
| Front brake lever pin               | Inspect  |   | X | X | X | X |   | X | 1, 7 |
| Front brake lever pin               | Lubricate  |   |   |   |   |   | X |   | 1, 7 |
| Brake caliper pins                  | Inspect  |   | X | X | X | X |   | X | 1, 7 |
| Brake caliper pins                  | Lubricate  |   |   |   |   |   | X |   | 1, 7 |
| Brake caliper boots and bushings    | Inspect  |   | X | X | X | X |   | X | 1, 7 |
| Brake caliper boots and bushings    | Replace  |   |   |   |   |   | X |   | 1, 7 |
| Rear master cylinder outer boot     | Inspect  |   | X | X | X | X | X | X | 1, 7 |
| Brake components                    | Replace brake rubber components in master cylinders and calipers |   |   |   |   |   | X |   | 1, 7 |
| Brake                               | Lubricate master   |   |   |   |   |   | X |   | 1, 7 |

|                                    |  |                                   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |
|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|------|
| components                         | cylinder pistons   |                                   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |
| Spark plugs                        | Inspect  |                                   | X |   | X |   | X |   |      |
| Spark plugs                        | Replace  |                                   |   |   |   | X |   |   |      |
| Electrical equipment and switches  | Check operation  | X                                 | X | X | X | X | X | X |      |
| Front fork oil                     |  | Replace every 50,000 mi 80,000 km |   |   |   |   |   |   | 1, 6 |
| Steering head bearings             | Adjust   | X                                 |   |   |   | X |   |   | 1, 2 |
| Rear fork bearings                 |  | Inspect every 30,000 mi 48,000 km |   |   |   |   |   |   | 1    |
| Critical fasteners                 | Check tightness  | X                                 |   | X |   | X |   | X | 1    |
| Engine mounts and stabilizer links | Inspect  |                                   |   | X |   | X |   | X | 1    |
| Battery                            | Check battery and clean connections  | Perform annually.                 |   |   |   |   |   |   | 3    |
| Exhaust system                     | Inspect for leaks, cracks, and loose or missing fasteners or heat shields  | X                                 | X | X | X | X | X | X | 3    |
| Road test                          | Verify component and system functions  | X                                 | X | X | X | X | X | X |      |
| <b>NOTES:</b>                      | <p>1. Should be performed by an authorized Harley-Davidson dealer, unless you have the proper tools, service data and are mechanically qualified.</p> <p>2. Disassemble, lubricate and inspect every 30,000 mi 48,000 km .</p> <p>3. Perform annually or at specified intervals, whichever comes first.</p> <p>4. Replace DOT 4 hydraulic brake fluid and flush system every two (2) years.</p> <p>5. Perform spoke tension check at 1000 mi 1600 km , 5000 mi 8000 km , 20,000 mi 32,000 km services and every 15,000 mi 24,000 km interval thereafter. Not all vehicles are equipped with spoke wheels. Consult appropriate topic in service manual.</p> <p>6. Replace fork oil and inspect every 50,000 mi 80,000 km .</p> <p>7. Replace every four (4) years or at specified intervals, whichever comes first.</p> |                                   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |

**Owner's Maintenance Records**

| SERVICE MILE INTERVAL | DATE | DEALER NUMBER | TECHNICIAN NAME | TECHNICIAN SIGNATURE |
|-----------------------|------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 1000 mi               |      |               |                 |                      |

|                          |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 1000 mi<br>(1600 km)     |  |  |  |  |
| 5000 mi<br>(8000 km)     |  |  |  |  |
| 10,000 mi<br>(16,000 km) |  |  |  |  |
| 15,000 mi<br>(24,000 km) |  |  |  |  |
| 20,000 mi<br>(32,000 km) |  |  |  |  |
| 25,000 mi<br>(40,000 km) |  |  |  |  |
| 30,000 mi<br>(48,000 km) |  |  |  |  |
| 35,000 mi<br>(56,000 km) |  |  |  |  |
| 40,000 mi<br>(64,000 km) |  |  |  |  |
| 45,000 mi<br>(72,000 km) |  |  |  |  |
| 50,000 mi<br>(80,000 km) |  |  |  |  |

## Service Literature

Refer to Service Literature: 2011 Sportster Models. Visit any Harley-Davidson dealer or go to [www.harley-davidson.com](http://www.harley-davidson.com) to purchase a service or parts manual for your motorcycle. Factory authorized manuals are the most complete and detailed source of information outside of your Harley-Davidson dealer.

### Service Literature: 2011 Sportster Models

| DOCUMENT       | LANGUAGE             | PART NUMBER |
|----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Service Manual | English              | 99484-11A   |
|                | Brazilian Portuguese | 99484-11BRA |
|                | French               | 99484-11FRA |
|                | German               | 99484-11DEA |
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|                              | Spanish              | 99484-11ESA |
|                              | Italian              | 99484-11ITA |
|                              | Simplified Chinese   | 99484-11ZHA |
| Electrical Diagnostic Manual | English              | 99495-11    |
|                              | Brazilian Portuguese | 99495-11BR  |
|                              | French               | 99495-11FR  |
|                              | German               | 99495-11DE  |
|                              | Spanish              | 99495-11ES  |
|                              | Italian              | 99495-11IT  |
|                              | Simplified Chinese   | 99495-11ZH  |
| Parts Catalog                | English              | 99451-11A   |

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