

2011 Night Rod Special - Owner's Manual

Safety First

Safe Operating Rules

⚠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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advanced rider safety courses. Call 800-446-9227 for information.

⚠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 <https://www.motorcycle-manual.com/>

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 VRSC 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

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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

REACH OF CHILDREN. (00240a)

⚠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.

Additional Safe Operating Rules

See Brake System to properly operate motorcycles equipped with an Anti-lock Brake System (ABS).

⚠WARNING

If ABS lamp remains on continuously, the ABS is not operating. The standard brake system is operational, but wheel lock up can occur. Contact a Harley-Davidson Dealer to have ABS repaired. A locked wheel will skid and can cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00361a)

⚠WARNING

ABS cannot prevent lockup of rear wheel due to engine braking. ABS will not aid in cornering or on loose/uneven surfaces. A locked wheel will skid and can cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00362a)

Rules of the Road

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- 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. 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, signal at least 100 ft 30.5 m before reaching the turning point. If turning across an intersection, move over to the centerline of the street (unless local rules require otherwise). Slow down when entering the intersection and turn carefully.
 - Never anticipate a traffic light. When a change is indicated from GO to STOP (or STOP to GO) 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

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)

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down tube in some destinations.

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Accessory and Cargo Guidelines

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

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- 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.

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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

Tampering

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 (V.I.N.)

General

See Typical Harley-Davidson V.I.N.: 2011 VRSC Models. A unique 17-digit serial or Vehicle Identification Number (V.I.N.) is assigned to each motorcycle. For a description of each item in the V.I.N., refer to Harley-Davidson V.I.N. Breakdown: 2011 VRSC Models.

Location

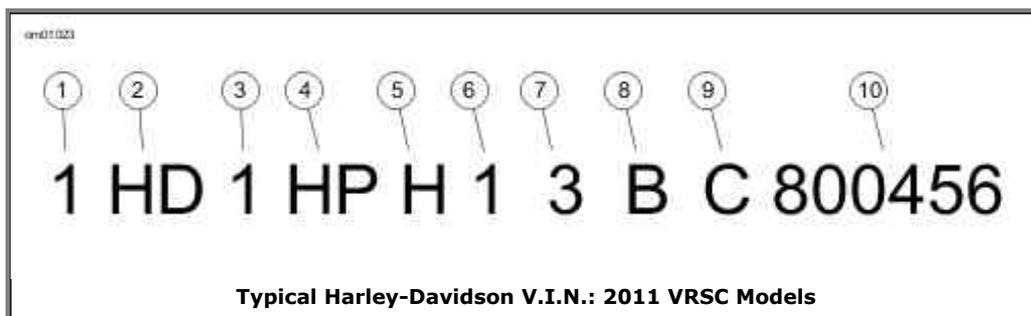
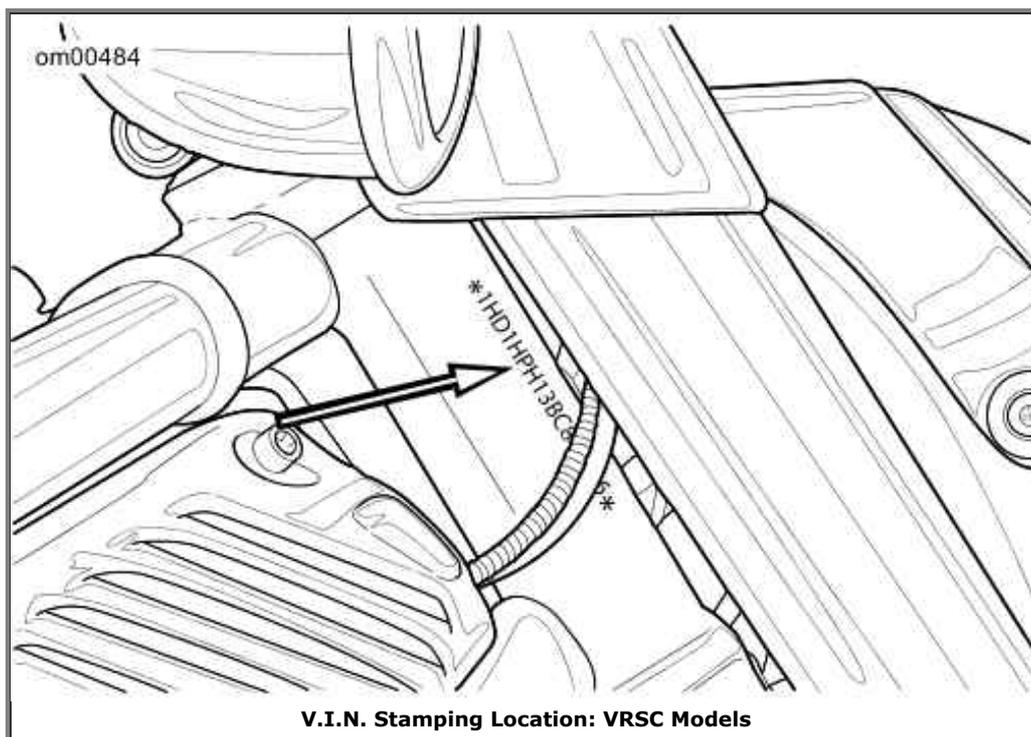
See V.I.N. Stamping Location: VRSC Models. The full 17-digit V.I.N. is stamped on the right side of the frame on the steering head. In some destinations, a printed V.I.N. label is also attached to the left frame tube above the front engine cylinder.

Abbreviated V.I.N.

An abbreviated V.I.N. showing the vehicle model, engine type, model year, and sequential number is stamped on the left side of the crankcase below the rear cylinder head.

NOTE:

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



Harley-Davidson V.I.N. Breakdown: 2011 VRSC Models

POSITION	DESCRIPTION	POSSIBLE VALUES
1	Market designation	1=Originally manufactured for sale within the United States 5=Originally manufactured for sale outside of the United States
2	Manufacturer/vehicle type	HD=Harley-Davidson motorcycle
3	Motorcycle type	1=Heavyweight motorcycle (901 cc and larger)
4	Model	See V.I.N. model table
5	Engine type	H=Revolution®, 1250 cm ³ liquid-cooled, fuel injected J=Revolution®, 1250 cm ³ liquid-cooled, fuel injected 105

		HP HDI only	
6	Introduction date/calibration	Normal Introduction 1=Domestic 3=California A=Canada C=HDI E=Japan G=Australia J=Brazil L=Asia Pacific N=India	Mid-year or Special Introduction 2, 4=Domestic 5, 6=California B=Canada D=HDI F=Japan H=Australia K=Brazil M=Asia Pacific P=India
7	V.I.N. check digit	Can be 0-9 or X	
8	Model year	B=2011	
9	Assembly plant	C=Kansas City, MO USA	
10	Sequential number	Varies	

V.I.N. Model Codes: 2011 VRSC Models

CODE	MODEL	CODE	MODEL
HH	VRSCDX Night Rod® Special	HP	VRSCF V-Rod Muscle™

Labels

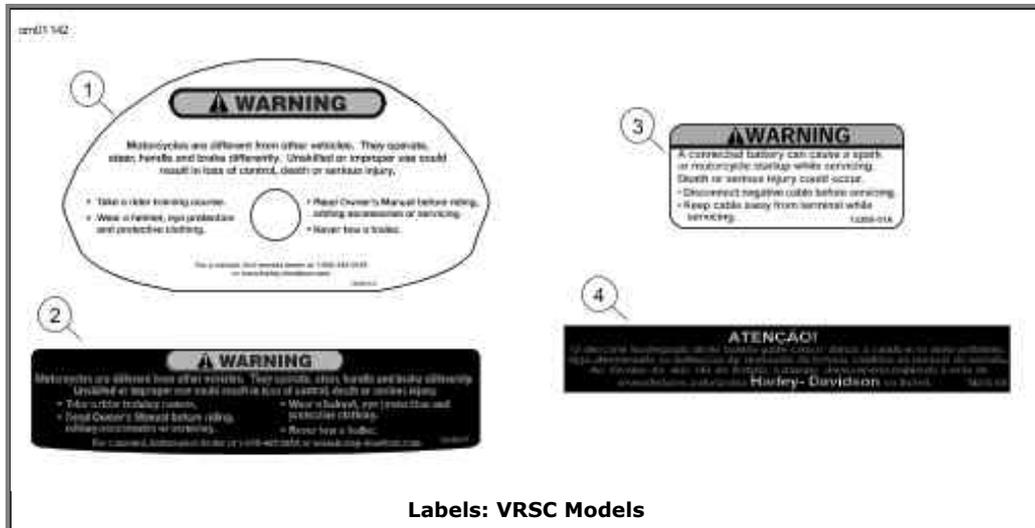
See Labels: VRSC Models for safety and maintenance labels which were on the vehicle when new. If removed, replacement labels may be purchased for your motorcycle. Refer to Labels: VRSC Models.

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: VRSC Models

LABEL	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
1	15348-01A (VRSCDX)	General warnings	Rear of airbox cover.
2	29147-07 (VRSCF)		
3	15368-01A	Battery warning	Under seat, rear of fuel tank.
4	14263-04	Battery label, Brazil	Side of battery.



Labels: VRSC Models

Specifications

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Engine

ITEM	SPECIFICATION	
Number of cylinders	2	
Type	4-cycle, DOHC, 60 degree V-Type, water cooled	
Compression ratio	11.5-1	
Bore	4.134 in	105.00 mm
Stroke	2.835 in	72.00 mm
Displacement	76.28 in ³	1250 cm ³

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.

Electrical

ITEM	SPECIFICATION
Timing setting	Not adjustable
Battery	12 volt, 19 amp-hr, 315 CCA
Charging system	Three-Phase, 38-amp system (439W @ 13V, 2000 rpm,

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	489W max power @ 13V)	
Spark plug type	10R12A	
Spark plug gap	0.035 in.	0.89 mm
Spark plug torque	17 ft-lbs	23 Nm

Capacities

ITEM	U.S.	LITERS
Fuel tank	5.0 gal	18.93
Low fuel warning lamp on	1.0 gal	3.79
Oil capacity with filter	5.0 qt.	4.73
Coolant capacity	2.5 qt.	2.37

Transmission

ITEM	SPECIFICATION
Type	foot shift
Speeds	5 forward
Gears	1st, 5th spur gears 2nd, 3rd, 4th helical gears

Drivetrain

COMPONENT	TYPE
Primary drive	gear
Final drive	belt
Rear sprocket	compensated
Clutch	hydraulic, slip and assist

Sprocket Teeth

ITEM	DOMESTIC	INTERNATIONAL
Transmission	28	30
Rear wheel	72	72
Ratio	0.42	0.39

Gear Ratios

GEAR	DOMESTIC	INTERNATIONAL

1st gear	11.752	10.969
2nd gear	7.898	7.371
3rd gear	6.322	5.900
4th gear	5.459	5.095
5th gear	4.889	4.563

Dimensions

ITEM	VRSCDX		VRSCF	
	IN.	MM	IN.	MM
Wheelbase	67.2	1707	67.0	1702
Overall length	94.4	2398	92.8	2357
Overall width	34.6	879	40.2	1021
Overall height	45.5	1156	45.7	1161
Road clearance	4.2	107	4.8	122
Seat height*	25.2	640	25.6	650
*With 180 lb. 82 kg rider on seat.				

Weights

ITEM	VRSCDX		VRSCF	
	LB.	KG	LB.	KG
Weight (as shipped from factory)	643	291.7	640	290.3
GVWR	1075	487.6	1075	487.6
GAWR Front	377	171.0	377	171.0
GAWR Rear	698	317.6	698	317.6

NOTE:

Gross Vehicle Weight Rating GVWR (maximum allowable loaded vehicle weight) and corresponding Gross Axle Weight Ratings (GAWR) are given on a label located on the left frame tube above the front engine cylinder.

⚠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)

Tires

MOUNT	SIZE	APPROVED TIRE	PRESSURE (COLD)

			PSI	KPa
Front	19 in.	Michelin Scorcher "11" 120/70ZR19 60W	36	248
Rear	18 in.	Michelin Scorcher "11" 240/40R18 79V	42	290

Bulb Chart

LAMP	DESCRIPTION (ALL LAMPS 12 VOLT)	BULBS REQUIRED	CURRENT DRAW (AMPERAGE)	H-D PART NUMBER
Headlamp VRSCF	low beam	1	4.30	68881-01
	high beam	1	5.10	67717-01
Headlamp VRSCDX	low beam/high beam	1	4.58/5.00	68329-03
Position lamp international	position lamp	1	0.37	53436-97
Tail and stop lamp VRSCDX	tail/stop lamp	1	0.59/2.25	68168-89A
	license plate illumination	2	0.37	53436-97
	tail/stop lamp international	1	0.42/1.75	68169-90A
	license plate illumination international	2	0.37	53436-97
Tail and stop lamp VRSCF	Illuminated with LEDs. Replace entire assembly upon failure.			
License plate illumination VRSCF	Illuminated with LEDs. Replace entire assembly upon failure.			
Turn signal lamp VRSCDX	front/running	2	2.25/0.59	69331-02
	rear	2	2.25	69330-02
	front/running international	2	1.75	68163-84
	rear international	2	1.75	68163-84
Turn signal lamp VRSCF	front/running	Illuminated with LEDs. Replace entire assembly upon failure.		
	rear	Illuminated with LEDs. Replace entire assembly upon failure.		
Instrument cluster	Illuminated with LEDs. Replace entire assembly upon failure.			

Tire Data

⚠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)

See Tires for approved tires and recommended pressures.

Tubeless tires fitted with the correct size inner tubes may be used on Harley-Davidson laced (wire spoked) wheels.

⚠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)

Tubeless tires are used on all Harley-Davidson cast and disc wheels.

Tire sizes are molded on the tire sidewall. Inner tube sizes are printed on the tube.

⚠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

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

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

All international (HDI) motorcycles are equipped with catalytic converters. Domestic and destination Japan motorcycles are not 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

⚠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 the YOUR OWNER'S MANUAL section at the beginning of this manual. Be sure to record all your key numbers in the space provided at the front of this book.

The ignition switch controls electrical functions of the motorcycle.

CAUTION

Protect your vehicle against theft. After parking your motorcycle, lock the steering head and ignition switch. Failure to lock your motorcycle can result in theft and/or equipment damage. (00491c)

⚠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)

To review the functions of each switch position, refer to Ignition Switch: VRSC Models.

1. See Ignition Switch: VRSC Models. To remove the key from the ignition, turn it to the OFF position.
2. To remove the key from ignition, pull the key outward.
3. Always turn switch to LOCK position and remove key after operation and when leaving bike parked.

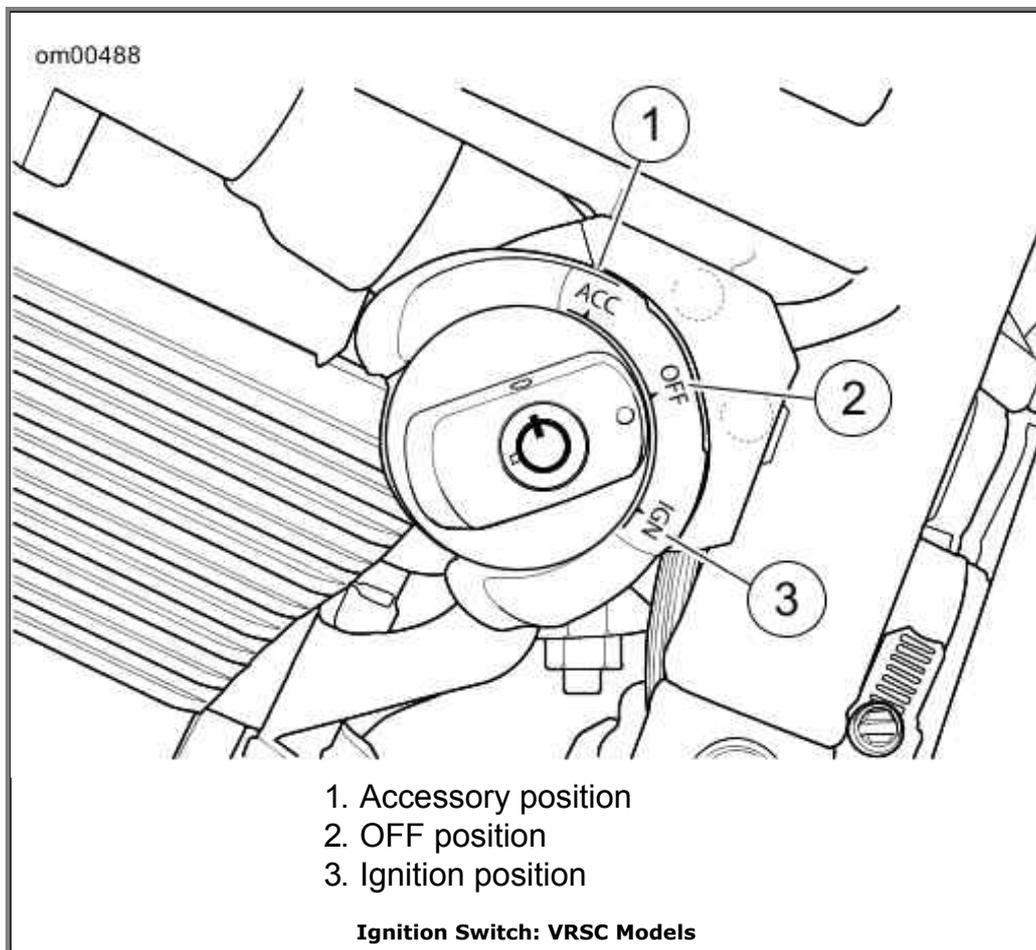
NOTES:

- *ACC-Accessories and hazard warning flasher can be turned on. Instrument lamps are on. Brake lamp and horn can be activated. Key may be removed.*
- *The lamps operate when the switch is in the IGN position, as required by law in some localities.*

- Harley-Davidson recommends removing key from ignition/fork lock before operating motorcycle. If you do not remove key, it can fall out during operation.
- The ignition key also fits the front fork lock.

Ignition Switch: VRSC Models

SWITCH POSITION	REMOVE KEY	FUNCTIONS
OFF	Yes	Turns off ignition, lamps and accessories (disconnects battery voltage from IGN and ACC terminals).
ACC	Yes	Turns on accessories. Hazard warning flashers can be operated. Instrument lamps are on. Brake lamp and horn can be activated (connects battery voltage to ACC terminal). NOTE: When switching to the ACC position, a startup diagnostic performs a systems check. The instrument background lighting illuminates, gauge needles sweep their full range of motion and the battery, security, coolant temperature and check engine indicator lamps illuminate.
IGN	Yes	Turns on ignition, lamps and accessories.



Hand Controls: Basic Operation

Electric Starter Switch

NOTE:

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

See Handlebar Controls: VRSC Models. 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 Switch: VRSC Models. Turn ignition/headlamp key switch to IGNITION and push the START switch to operate starter motor.

Engine OFF/RUN Switch

See Handlebar Controls: VRSC Models. 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 Switch: VRSC Models. Turn the ignition key to the OFF position to turn the ignition power completely OFF.

Throttle Control Grip

See Handlebar Controls: VRSC Models. 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
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effect on throttle motion.

NOTE:

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

Clutch Hand Lever

⚠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: VRSC Models. 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 Hand Controls: Basic Operation.
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

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

Headlamp Dimmer Switch

See Handlebar Controls: VRSC Models. 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 Instrument Lamps. The (blue) high beam indicator lamp will illuminate when the high beam is on.

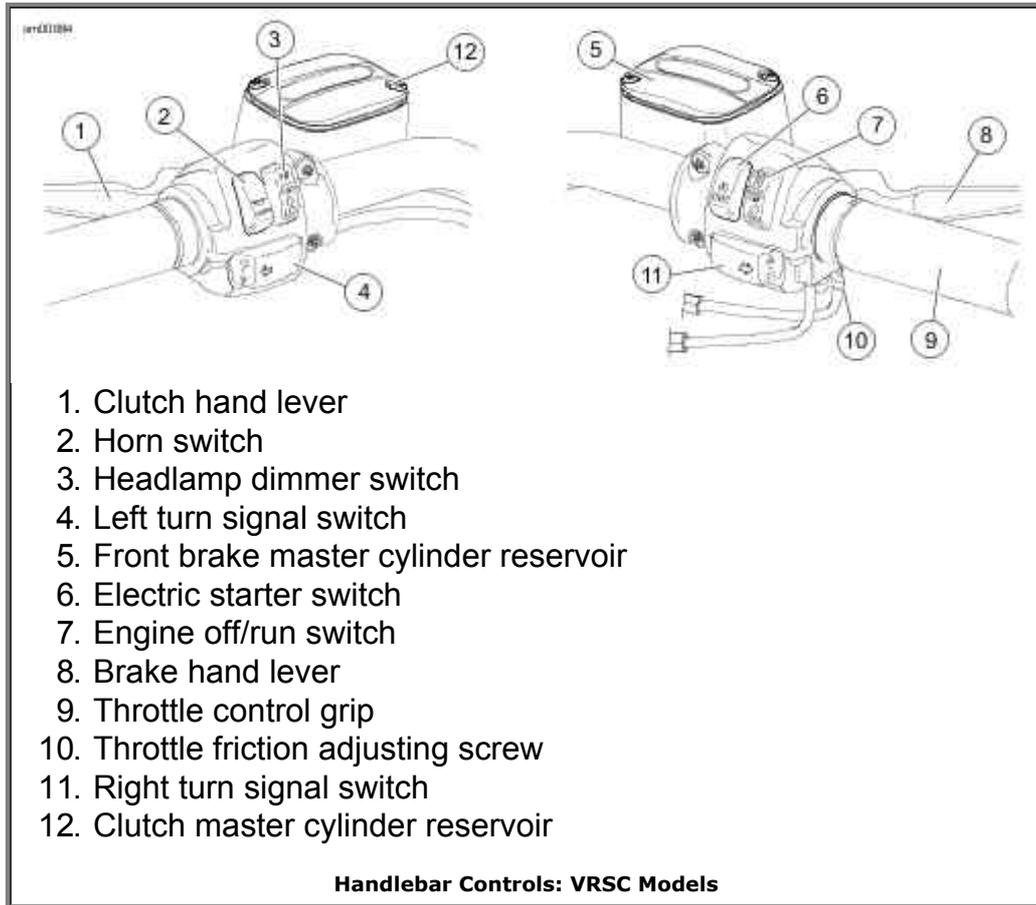
Turn Signal Switches

See Handlebar Controls: VRSC Models. 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
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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 help is found.

Instruments

Speedometer

⚠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)

See Instrument Cluster: VRSC Models. 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
- Fuel range

CAUTION

Never attempt to tamper with or alter the vehicle odometer. This is illegal. Tampering with or altering a vehicle odometer may cause equipment damage. (00160a)

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

1. See Instrument Cluster: VRSC Models. Pressing the function switch 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 once to view odometer. Press and release switch 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 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 odometer (A or B) in display window. Press function switch and hold switch 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.

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Setting Clock

1. Turn the ignition switch to ACC or IGNITION.
2. See Instrument Cluster: VRSC Models. Press function switch 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 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 for five seconds. The display will switch to the time display with the hours blinking.
5. Press and release the function switch repeatedly to advance the hours. Each time you press and release the switch, the display will advance one hour.

NOTE:

No AM or PM time setting is required. When 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 function switch for five seconds. The minutes display will start blinking.
7. Press and release the function switch 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 function switch for five seconds. The minutes display will stop blinking, indicating that the clock has been set.
9. Turn the ignition switch OFF.

Fuel Range Function

The fuel range function shows the approximate mileage available with the amount of fuel left in the fuel tank.

1. With the ignition switch in the ACC or IGNITION position, press function switch until fuel range function is displayed, as indicated by the letter 'r' in the left side of the odometer display. The calculated remaining distance (miles or kilometers) to empty is displayed, based on the amount of fuel in tank. Range can be accessed at any time using the function switch.
2. When the low fuel warning lamp illuminates, the range feature will automatically be displayed in the odometer unless this automatic pop-up feature is disabled by a press and hold of the function switch while in range display mode. Automatic range pop-up feature will show that it is disabled by blinking twice. Likewise, automatic range popup can be reactivated by a press and hold of the function switch. Range will blink once when the automatic pop-up feature is re-enabled.

NOTE:

- *Refer to Capacities. When the low fuel warning lamp turns on, refuel as soon as*

possible.

- *The range display is only updated when the vehicle is moving.*

3. After the range calculation reaches 10 miles 16 kilometers remaining, the range display will display "r Lo" to indicate that the vehicle will shortly run out of fuel.
4. Resetting the low fuel warning lamp and range requires an ignition cycle change.

Tachometer

See Instrument Cluster: VRSC Models. The tachometer registers the engine speed in revolutions per minute (RPM).

CAUTION

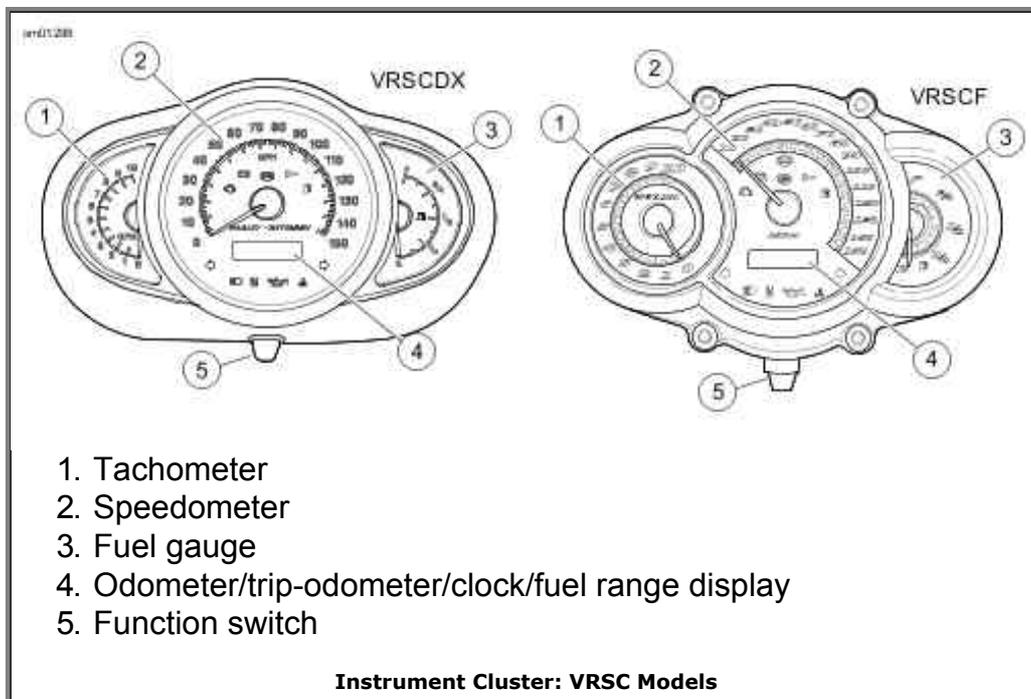
See OPERATING RECOMMENDATIONS section. Do not operate the engine above maximum safe RPM as shown under OPERATION (red zone on tachometer). Lower the RPM by upshifting to a higher gear or reducing the amount of throttle. Failure to lower RPM may cause equipment damage. (00159a)

Tip Indicator

⚠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.



Instrument Lamps

Engine Check Lamp

See Instrument Lamps. The engine check lamp is located inside the instrument cluster. Its purpose is to indicate whether or not 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

See Instrument Lamps. The low fuel lamp lights up to indicate that the fuel level is low. The low fuel lamp color is amber. Refer to Capacities.

If the low fuel lamp remains lit after adding fuel or filling the fuel tank, see your Harley-Davidson dealer.

Battery Discharge Lamp

See Instrument Lamps. The battery lamp indicates either overcharging or undercharging of the battery. Refer to Harley-Davidson Smart Security System.

Security System Lamp

See Instrument Lamps. The security system lamp will illuminate when the security system is armed. Refer to Harley-Davidson Smart Security System.

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If the security system lamp remains lit after the security system is disarmed, see your Harley-Davidson dealer.

ABS Lamp

See Instrument Lamps. On ABS equipped models, the amber ABS indicator lamp begins to flash at key ON to indicate that the system is operation. It continues to flash until motorcycle speed exceeds 3 mph 5 km/h . Continuous illumination of the lamp will only occur when ABS detects that the system is malfunctioning. In the diagnostic mode, the lamp will also illuminate to indicate the presence of diagnostic trouble codes (DTCs). See a Harley-Davidson dealer for service.

⚠WARNING

If ABS lamp remains on continuously, the ABS is not operating. The standard brake system is operational, but wheel lock up can occur. Contact a Harley-Davidson Dealer to have ABS repaired. A locked wheel will skid and can cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00361a)

Indicator Lamps

See Instrument Lamps. Indicator lamps are located along the bottom of the instrument cluster.

- The two green TURN indicator lamps flash when turn signals are activated; therefore, flashing indicates the chosen turn direction. When the 4-way hazard flashers are operating, both turn indicators flash simultaneously.
- The blue HIGH 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 ENGINE COOLANT TEMPERATURE indicator lamp, when lit, signals the coolant temperature has exceeded 243° F (117° C).
- The red OIL PRESSURE indicator lamp, when lit, signals that oil is not circulating through the engine.

NOTE:

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

Several other circumstances that could cause the red oil pressure indicator lamp to illuminate include:

- An insufficient or diluted oil supply causing the oil pressure indicator lamp to remain lit at speeds above idling.
- An oil feed clogged with ice and sludge in freezing weather, preventing oil circulation.
- A grounded oil signal switch wire.
- A faulty oil signal switch.
- A damaged or improperly installed check valve.
- Trouble with the oil 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)

Several other circumstances that could cause the red engine coolant temperature indicator lamp to illuminate include:

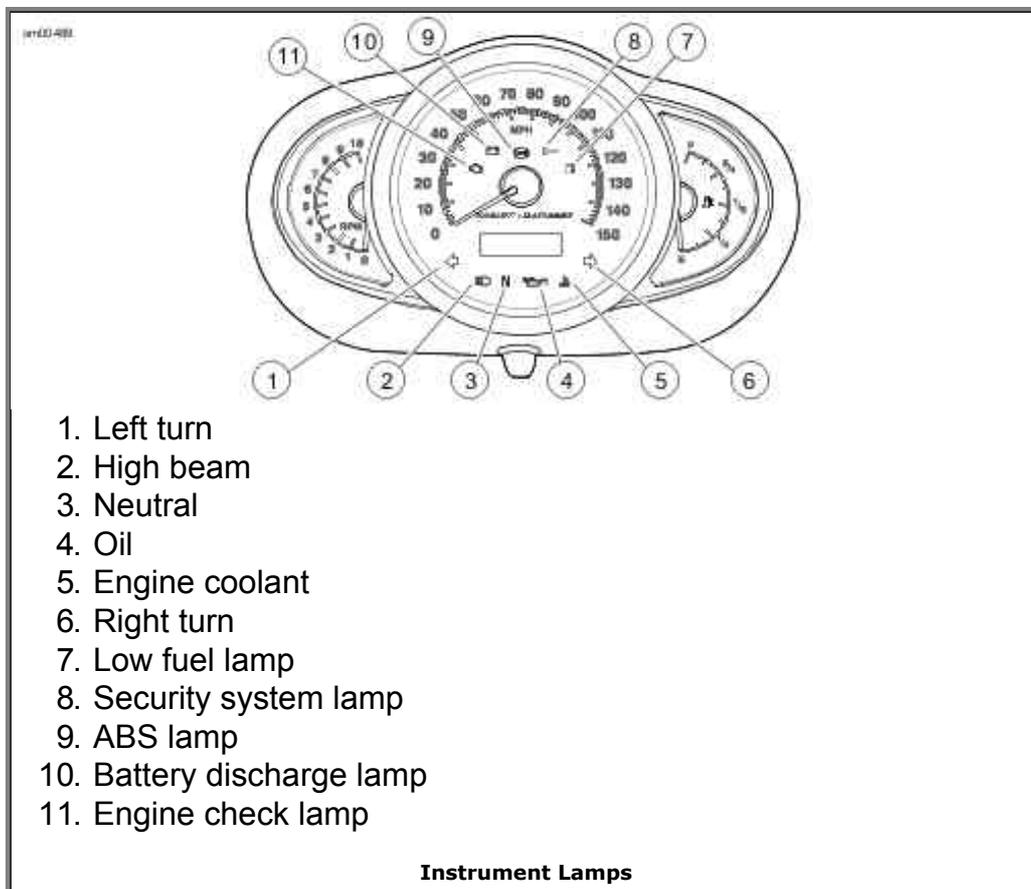
- Cooling fan malfunction.
- Low coolant level.
- Thermostat malfunction.
- Temperature gauge malfunction.
- Blocked coolant passages.
- Radiator cap malfunction.
- Coolant malfunction.

CAUTION

If the engine coolant temperature indicator lamp remains lit, always check the coolant level. If the coolant level 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. (00158a)

⚠WARNING

Do not remove radiator filler cap when engine is hot. The cooling system is under pressure and hot coolant and steam can escape, which could cause severe burns. Allow engine to cool before servicing the cooling system. (00091a)



Gear Shift Lever

Location

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

CAUTION

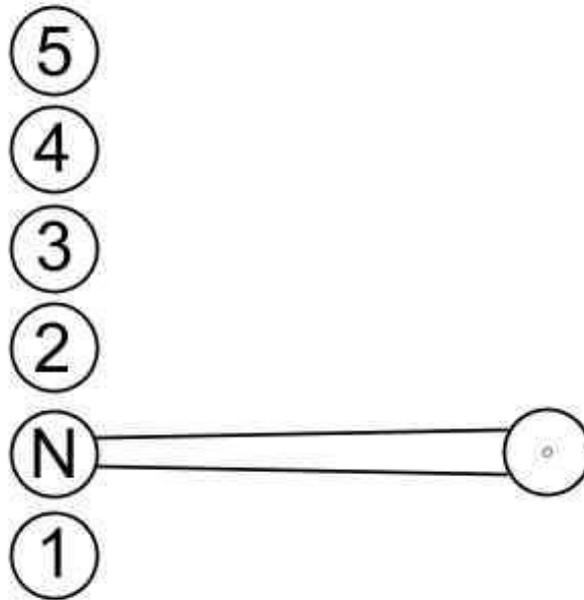
The clutch must be fully disengaged before attempting a gear shift. Failure to fully disengage the clutch can result in equipment damage. (00182a)

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

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.

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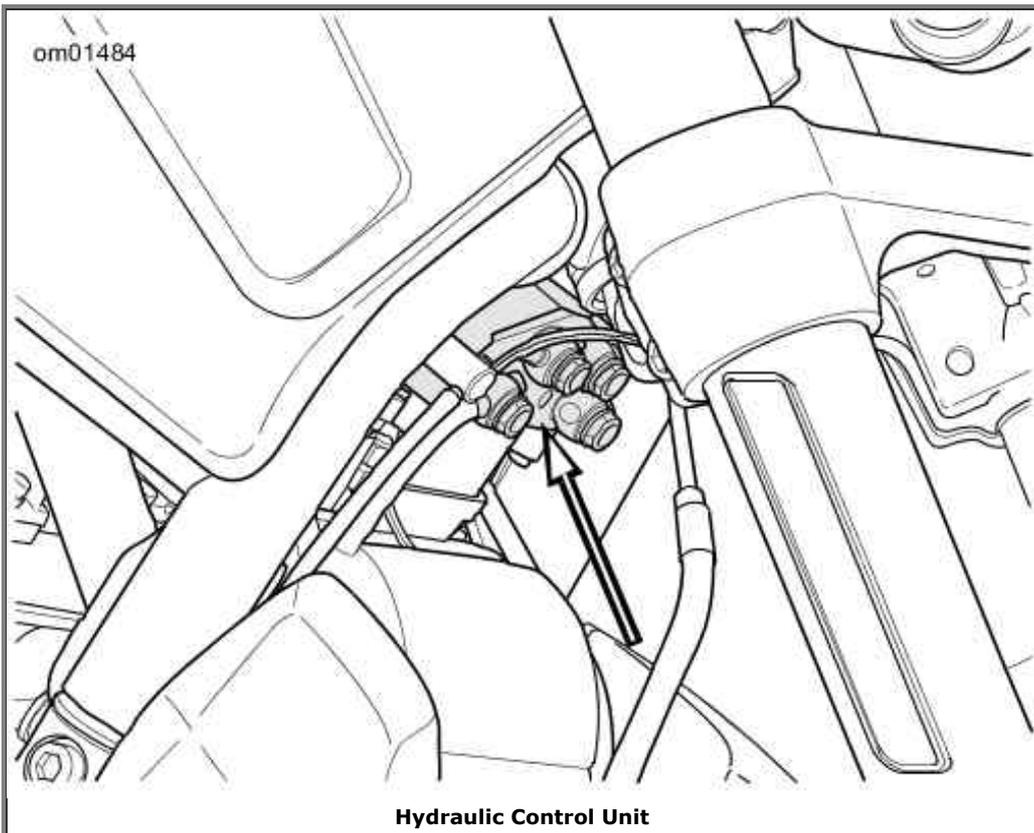
Shift Lever and Shift Pattern

Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS)

Identification

See Hydraulic Control Unit. Models that are equipped with the ABS option can be identified by the presence of a hydraulic control unit as shown.

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Hydraulic Control Unit

Brake System

General

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)

Some models are equipped with an anti-lock braking system.

Non-ABS Brake System

Apply brakes uniformly and evenly to prevent wheels from locking. Use front and rear brakes equally for best results.

⚠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)

Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS)

Harley-Davidson's Anti-Lock Brake System assists the rider in maintaining control when braking in a straight-line emergency situation. ABS operates independently on front and rear brakes to keep the wheels rolling and prevent uncontrolled wheel lock-ups either on dry pavement or on slick surfaces such as gravel, leaves or when riding in wet conditions.

ABS: How It Works

The ABS monitors sensors at the front and rear wheels to determine wheel speed. If the system detects one or both wheels are slowing down too quickly, which indicates they are close to locking, or if the deceleration rate does not match a criteria stored in memory, the ABS reacts. The system rapidly opens and closes valves to modulate the brake caliper pressure utilizing only the brake lever/pedal pressure being applied by the rider. During ABS activation, the system provides the electronic equivalent of manually pumping the brakes and is capable of cycling up to seven times per second.

The rider will recognize ABS activation by the slight pulsing sensation in the hand lever or the rear
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brake pedal. The pulsing sensation may also be accompanied by a clicking sound from the ABS module. Both are the result of normal operation. Refer to ABS Symptoms and Conditions.

ABS: How To Use

While an advantage in emergency braking, ABS is not a substitute for safe riding. The safest way to stop a motorcycle is upright with both wheels straight.

Harley-Davidson ABS is a manual assist system. When in an emergency stopping situation, maintain pressure on the brakes through all ABS events. Do not modulate or "pump" the brake controls. The wheels won't lock until the end of the stop when motorcycle speed reaches approximately 4 mph 6 km/h and ABS is no longer needed.

⚠WARNING

ABS cannot prevent lockup of rear wheel due to engine braking. ABS will not aid in cornering or on loose/uneven surfaces. A locked wheel will skid and can cause loss of vehicle control, which could result in death or serious injury. (00362a)

More information is available at www.harley-davidson.com/abs.

ABS: Tires and Wheels

ABS motorcycles must always use tires and wheels that are the same as the original equipment. The ABS monitors the rotational speed of the wheels through individual wheel speed sensors. Changing to different diameter wheels or different sized tires can alter the rotational speed. This can upset the calibration of the ABS and have an adverse effect on its ability to detect and prevent uncontrolled wheel lockups. Tire inflation pressure that is significantly low also can have an adverse effect.

ABS Symptoms and Conditions

SYMPTOM	CONDITION
Pulsing brake lever or pedal during an ABS event	Normal condition.
Clicking sound during an ABS event	Normal condition.
ABS lamp flashing	Normal condition - motorcycle turned on - speed under 3 mph 5 km/h .
Perceived "surge" while braking	Normal condition - most noticeable when braking with one brake (front only or rear only). Result of a reduction in deceleration which can be caused by cracks or bumps in road, engine braking (high engine RPMs causing the rear wheel to slow down), hard braking at slow speeds, and other conditions. This is due to ABS

	modulating caliper brake pressure to prevent uncontrolled wheel lock.
Temporarily stiff rear brake pedal	Normal condition - engine braking (high engine RPMs causing the rear wheel to slow down) or down shifting can activate ABS. If applying the rear brake at the same time or immediately after, the ABS may be closing a valve to prevent pressure to the rear brake. This is due to ABS modulating caliper brake pressure to prevent uncontrolled wheel lock.
Tire chirp	Normal condition - depending on surface, tire can chirp without locking the wheel.
Black mark on pavement	Normal condition - depending on surface, tire can leave a black mark without locking the wheel.
Wheel lock at low speed	Normal condition - ABS will not activate on front wheel below 3 mph 5 km/h or on rear wheel below 5 mph 8 km/h .

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)

Rear View Mirrors

⚠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

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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.

Fuel Filler Cap

See Fuel Filler Cap: VRSC Models. The fuel filler cap is located under the seat.

To open, turn the fuel filler cap counterclockwise and lift up. To close, turn the fuel filler cap clockwise until it clicks. The ratchet action of the cap prevents overtightening.

See SAFE OPERATING RULES section and review safety procedures.

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

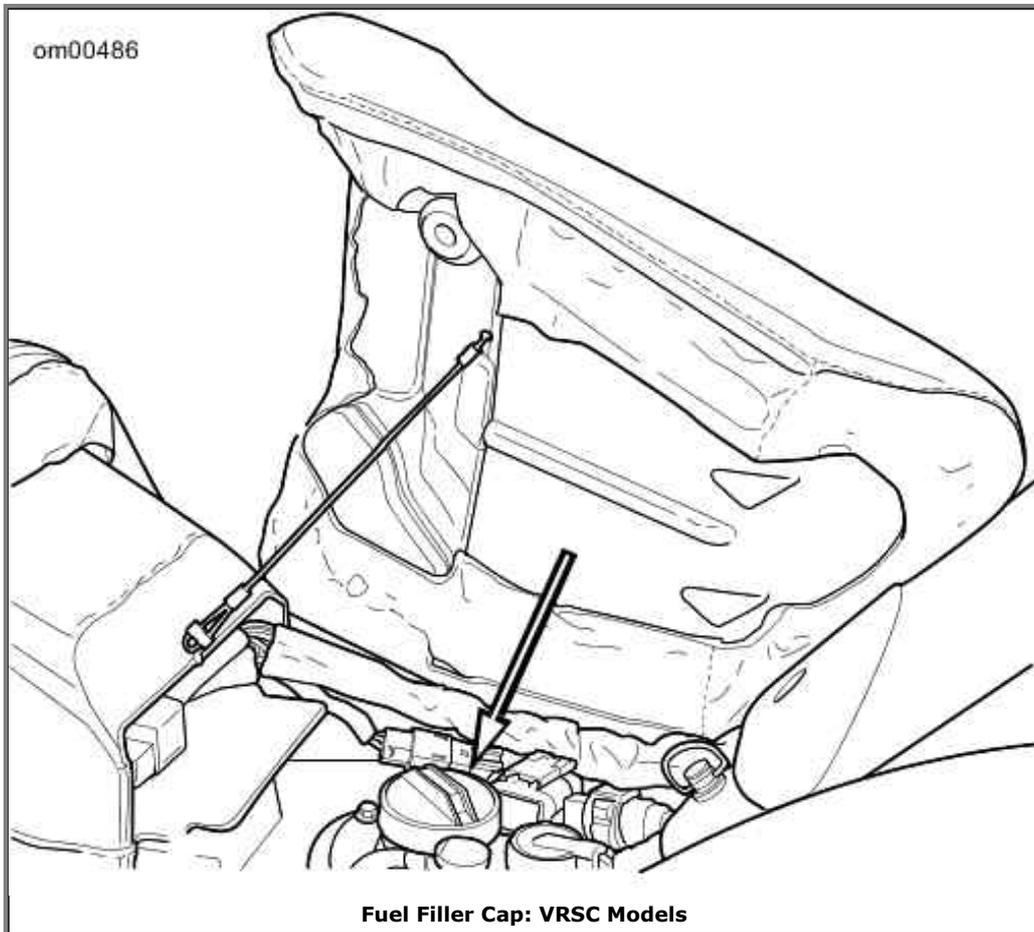
Do not store motorcycle with gasoline in tank within the home or garage where open flames, pilot lights, sparks or electric motors are present. Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive, which could result in death or serious injury. (00003a)

⚠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

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result in death or serious injury. (00028a)



Fork Lock

CAUTION

Protect your vehicle against theft. After parking your motorcycle, lock the steering head and ignition switch. Failure to lock your motorcycle can result in theft and/or equipment damage. (00491c)

See Fork Lock: VRSC Models. The fork lock is incorporated in the right side of the steering head.

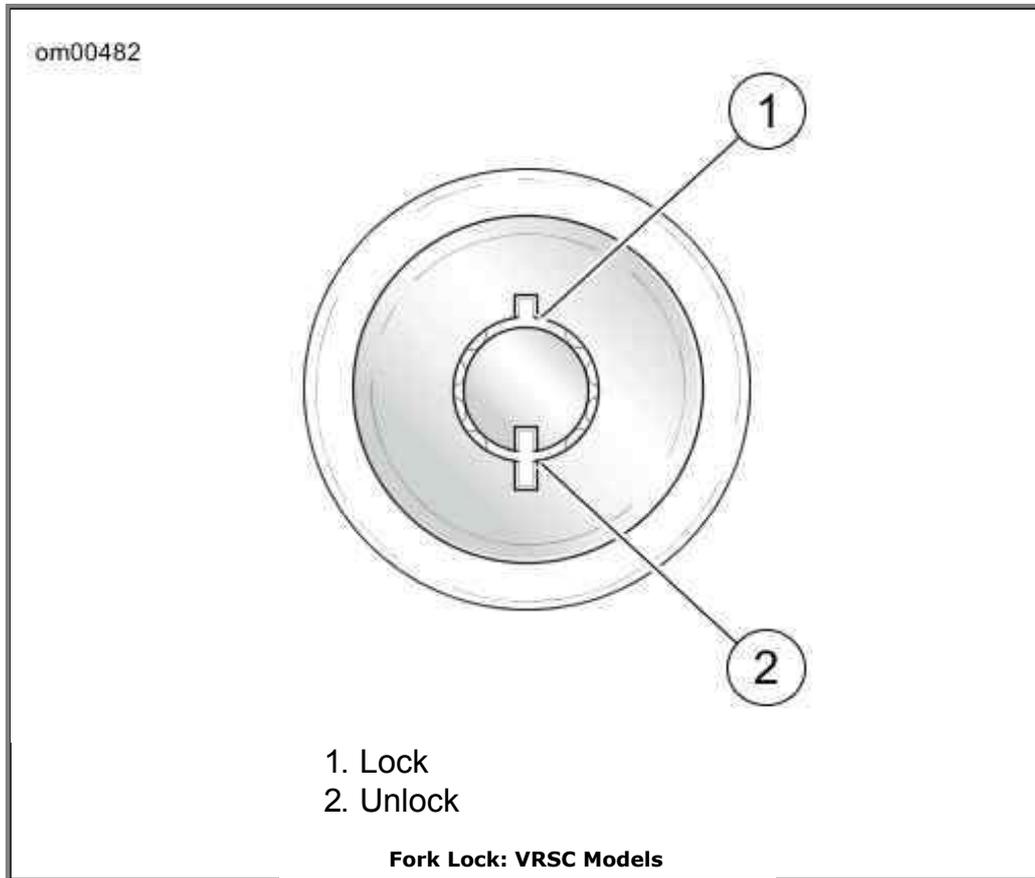
⚠WARNING

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)

Using the fork lock immediately after parking your motorcycle will discourage unauthorized use or theft when parking your motorcycle.

1. Turn the fork to the full left position.
2. Insert the key into the fork lock.

3. Push down on the fork lock switch and turn to the full clockwise position.
4. Remove the key.



Shock Absorbers

General

The rear shock absorber spring preload can be adjusted for the weight the motorcycle is to carry and has five preload graduations. Notice the adjustment settings as you turn the collar.

Use the adjustment setting numbers as a reference for equal adjustment of shock absorbers on both the right and left side of the motorcycle.

Adjustment

⚠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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1. See Rear Shock Absorber Adjustment: VRSCF Model. Place a SPANNER WRENCH 94448-82A around the lower collar of the shock absorber.

NOTE:

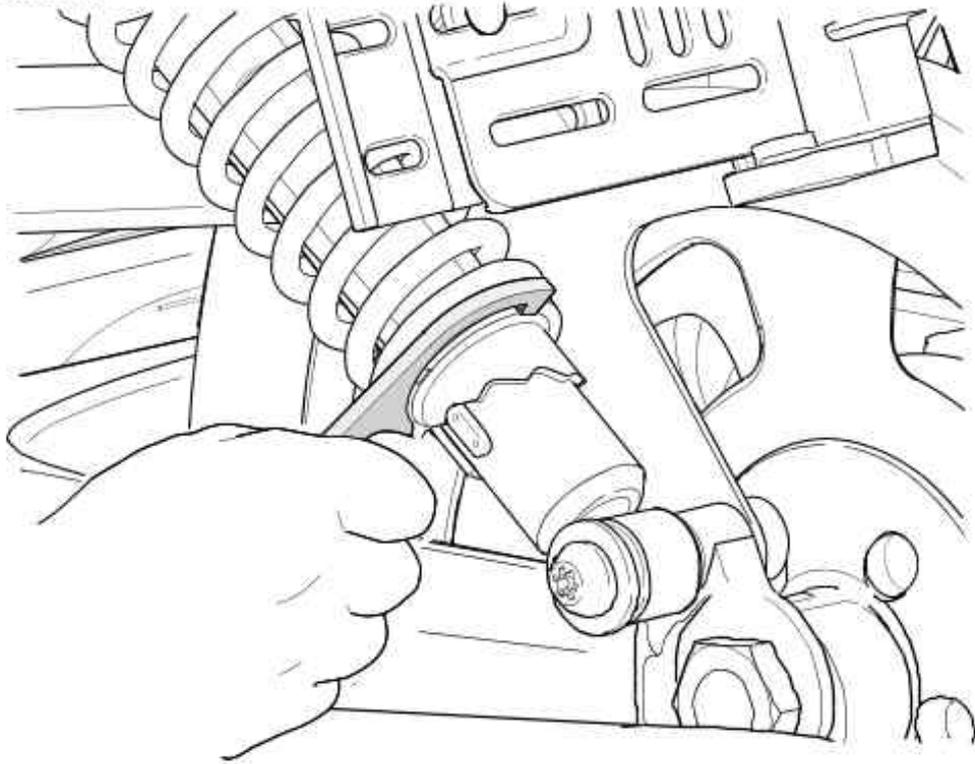
VRSCDX models have a cover over the preload adjustment collar. Insert teeth on spanner wrench into holes in the collar cover.

2. Refer to Recommended Preload. To adjust the rear shock absorber spring preload, turn the spring adjusting cam to the desired position. When returning to off-cam position, cams should be backed off in opposite direction.
 - a. Turn the collar clockwise (toward higher numbers) to increase the preload.
 - b. Turn the collar counterclockwise to decrease the preload.

Recommended Preload

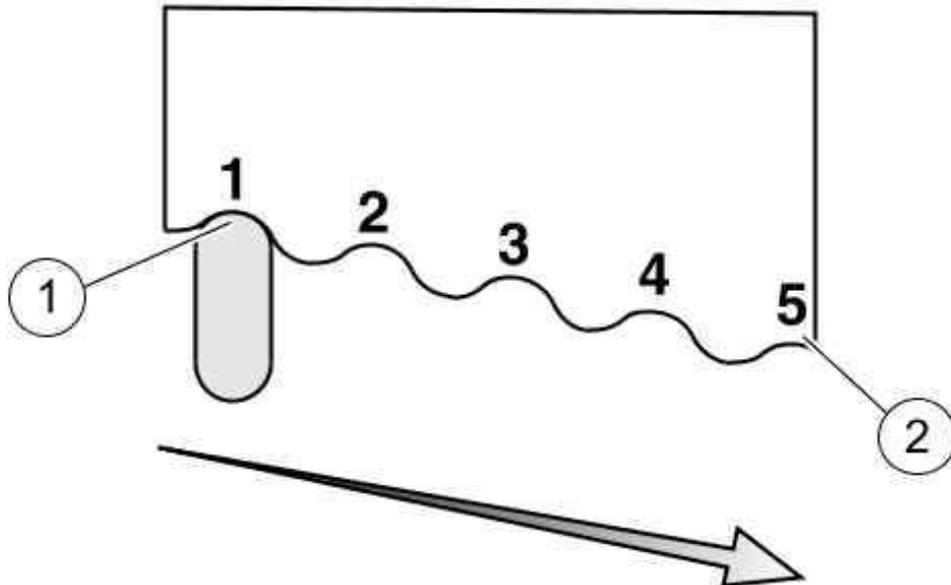
LOAD*	POSITION**
Less than 165 lbs (75 kg)	1
165-195 lbs (75-89 kg)	2
195-225 lbs (89-102 kg)	3
225-255 lbs (102-116 kg)	4
Greater than 255 lbs (116 kg)	5
* Load includes total weight of rider, passenger, accessories and cargo.	
** See Preload Adjustment for preload positions.	

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Rear Shock Absorber Adjustment: VRSCF Model

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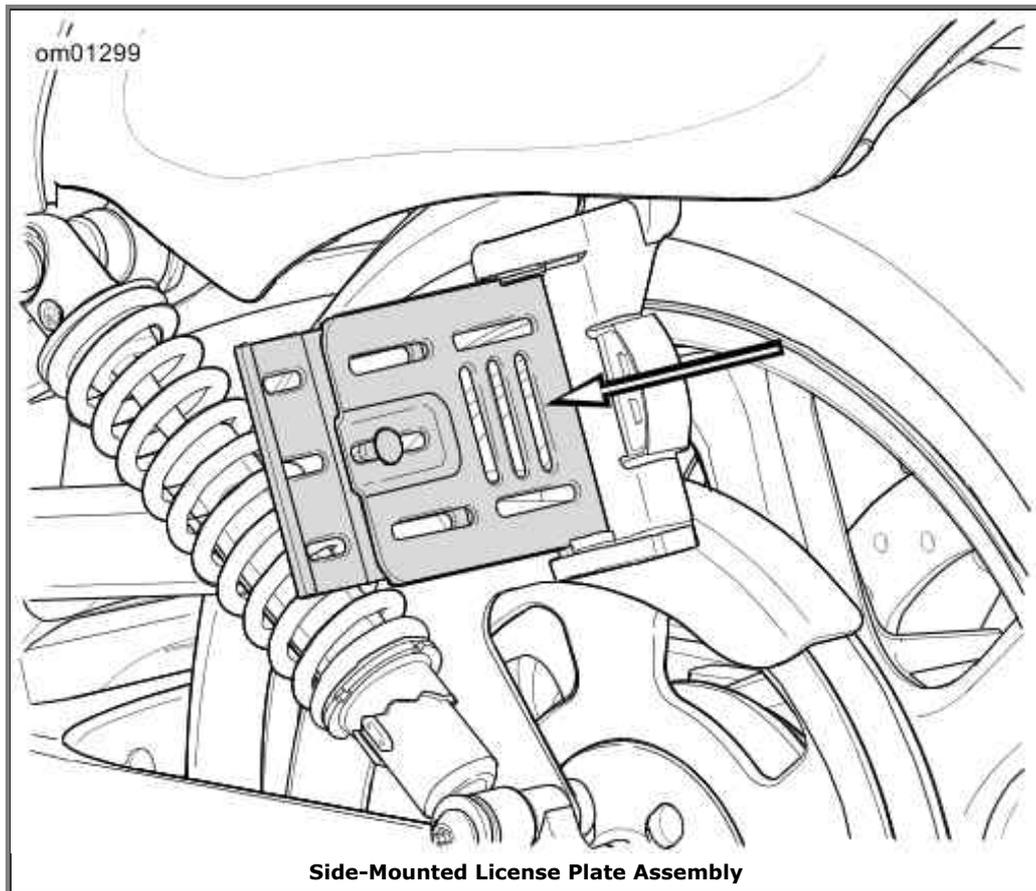
1. Minimum preload adjustment
2. Maximum preload adjustment

Preload Adjustment

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.



Mirrors: VRSCF Model

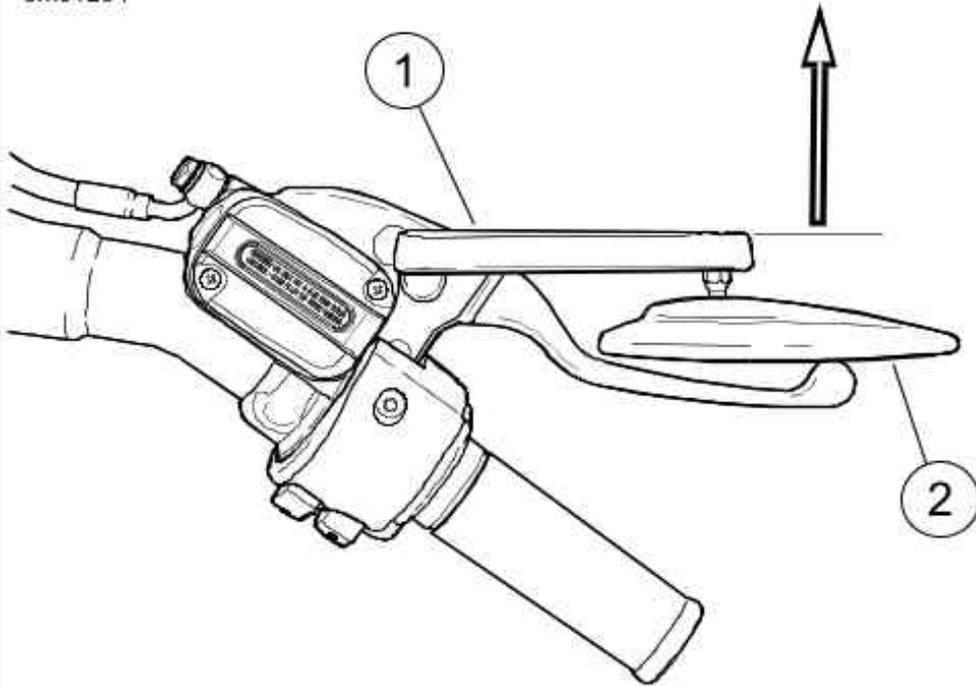
See Mirror/Turn Signal Alignment: VRSCF Model. On the VRSCF model, the mirror stems operate as front turn signals. Use the following procedure to properly align the front turn signals and position the rear view mirrors.

NOTE:

See Mirror/Turn Signal Fasteners: VRSCF Model. Always loosen fasteners before changing the position of the turn signals or mirrors. Simply pushing the mirror face or stem may cause damage to the assembly.

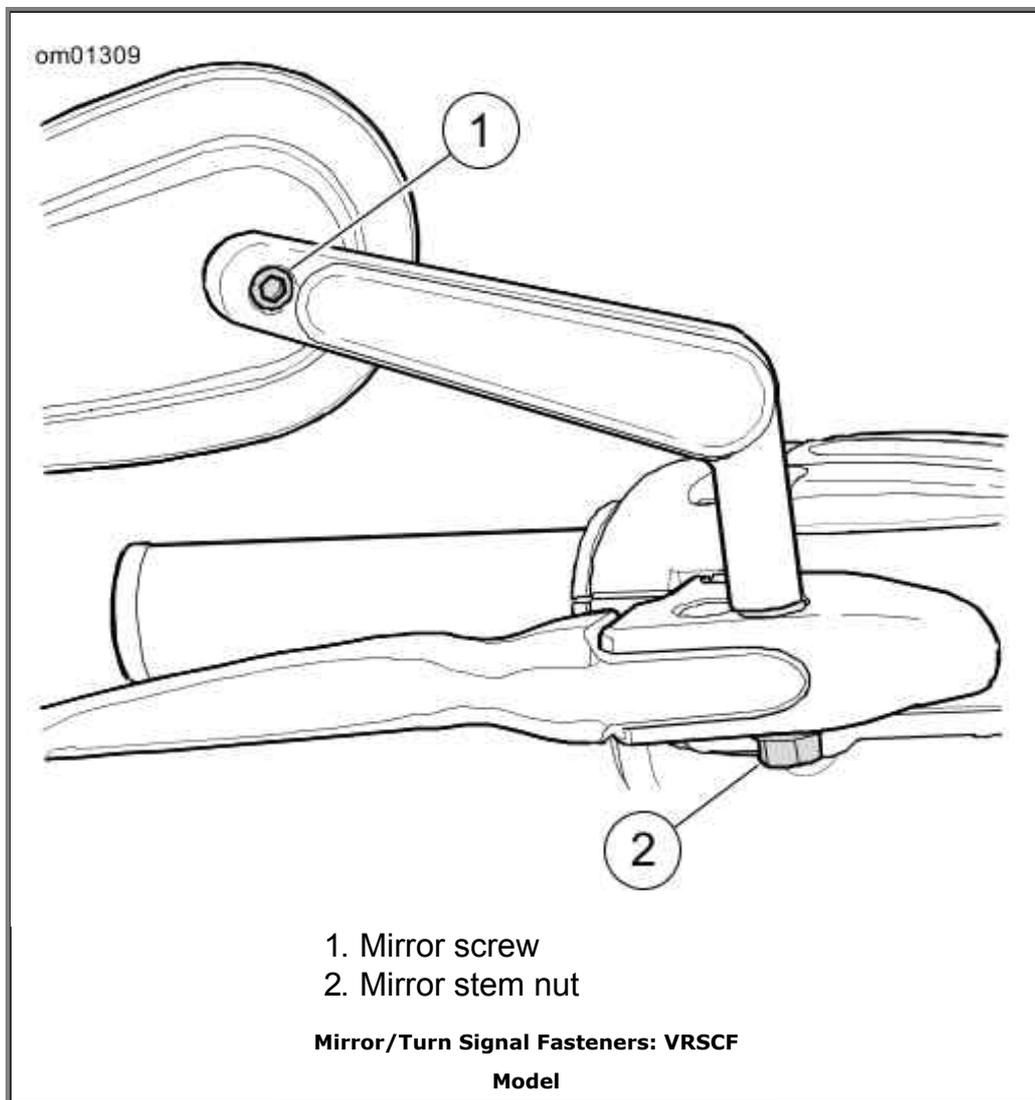
1. See Mirror/Turn Signal Fasteners: VRSCF Model. Loosen the nut on the mirror stem. Adjust the front turn signal so it is directed straight ahead, with the lighted surface facing the forward direction of the vehicle as shown in Mirror/Turn Signal Alignment: VRSCF Model.
2. Tighten nut to 65-75 in-lbs (7.4-8.5 Nm).
3. Loosen the screw on the rear of the mirror. Adjust the mirror to desired position (without changing the orientation of the front turn signal).
4. Tighten screw to 97-115 in-lbs (11-13 Nm).

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1. Front turn signal (perpendicular to forward direction of vehicle)
2. Mirror

Mirror/Turn Signal Alignment: VRSCF Model



Harley-Davidson Smart Security System

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Components

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

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 and Smart Siren II.
- Security Pager and 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 expressly 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

Fob Assignment

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*

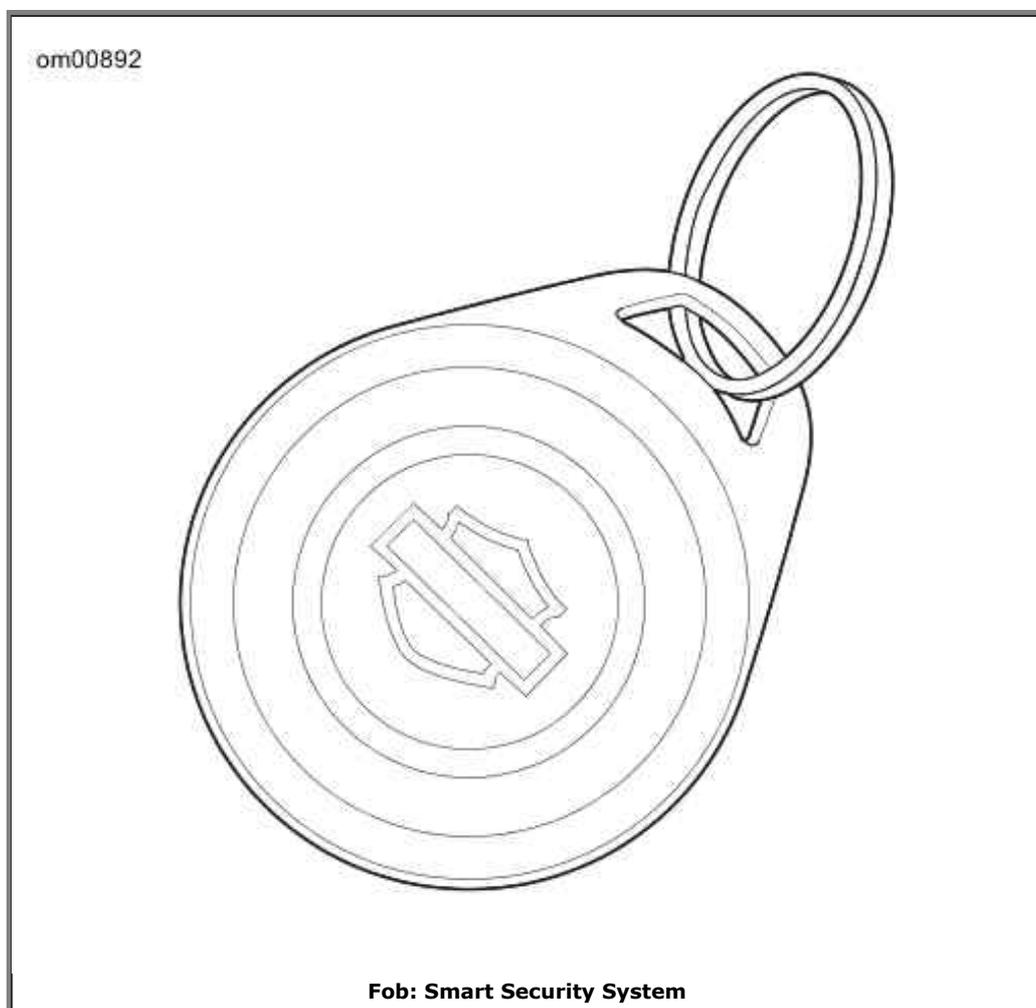
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Troubleshooting.

- *The PIN can easily be changed by the rider at any time. Refer to Personal Identification Number (PIN).*

Riding with a Fob

- 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.



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.

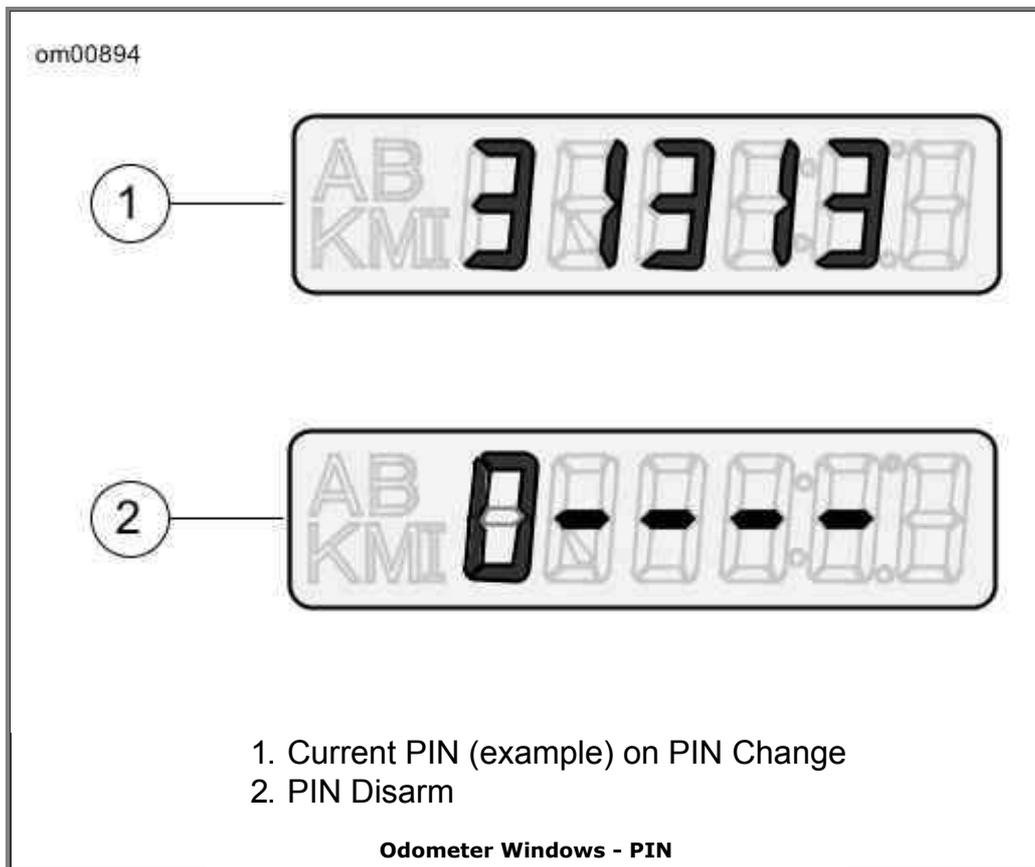
A PIN is a five-digit number (1-9, no zeros).

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 IGN key IGNITION-OFF-IGNITION-OFF-IGNITION .		
3	Press left turn signal switch 3 times .		
4	Press right turn signal switch 1 time 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 left turn signal switch a times.		
6	Press right turn signal switch 1 time and release.	The new digit (a) will replace the current in odometer window.	
7	Enter second digit (b) of new PIN by pressing left turn signal switch b times.		
8	Press right turn signal switch 1 time and release.	The new digit (b) will replace the current in odometer window.	
9	Enter third digit (c) of new PIN by pressing left turn signal switch c times.		
10	Press right turn switch 1 time and release.	The new digit (c) will replace the current in odometer window.	
11	Enter fourth digit (d) of new PIN by pressing left turn signal switch d times.		
12	Press right turn switch 1 time and release.	The new digit (d) will replace the current in odometer window.	
13	Enter fifth digit (e) of new PIN by pressing left turn signal switch e times.		
14	Press right turn switch 1 time and release.	The new digit (e) will replace the current in odometer window.	
15	Before the module rearms, turn the ignition key to OFF .	The odometer will return to mileage.	Turning the ignition key to OFF stores the



Security Status Indicator

See Instrument Lamps. 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

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 IGNITION .		
3	Quickly (within 2 seconds of turning ignition key) hold both 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 (a) in the PIN by pressing left turn switch a times .	The first digit (a) in the odometer will be the first digit in the PIN.	
5	Press right turn switch 1 time .	The first digit is stored and the dash will flash.	Serves as enter key.
6	Enter second digit (b) in the PIN by pressing left turn switch b times .	The second digit (b) in the odometer will be the second digit in the PIN.	
7	Press right turn switch 1	The second digit is stored and	Serves as enter key.

	time.	the next dash will flash.	
8	Enter third digit (c) in the PIN by pressing left turn switch c times .	The third digit (c) in the odometer will be the third digit in the PIN.	
9	Press right turn switch 1 time .	The third digit is stored and the next dash will flash.	Serves as enter key.
10	Enter fourth digit (d) in the PIN by pressing left turn switch d times .	The fourth digit (d) in the odometer will be the fourth digit in the PIN.	
11	Press right turn switch 1 time .	The fourth digit is stored and the next dash will flash.	Serves as enter key.
12	Enter fifth digit (e) in the PIN by pressing left turn switch e times .	The fifth digit (e) in the odometer will be the fifth digit in the PIN.	
13	Press right turn switch 1 time .	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

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

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)

Chirp Mode

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

Chirpless Mode

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

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

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

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

Long-Term Parking

To maintain arming, store the fob beyond the range (more than 20 feet 6 meters away) of the antenna. 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 to Motorcycle Storage.

Service Departments

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

Replacing the Battery

Replace the fob battery every year.

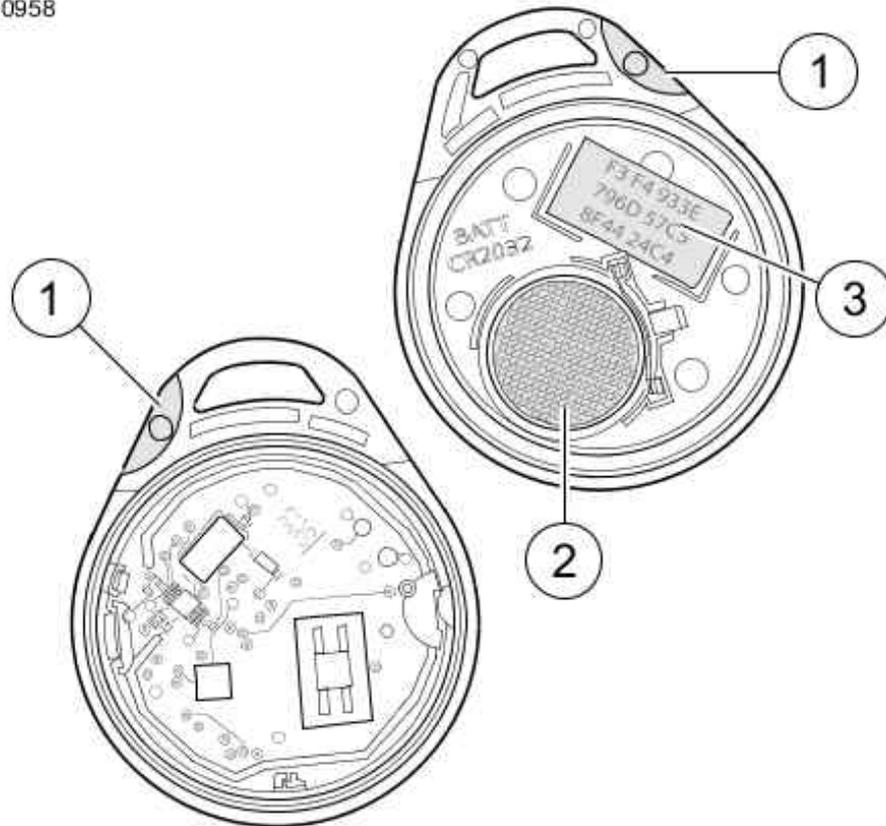
1. See Fob Battery. Slowly turn a thin blade in the thumbnail slot (1) on the side of the fob to separate the two halves.
2. Remove the battery (2) and discard.

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.

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1. Thumbnail slot
2. Battery
3. Fob serial number

Fob Battery

Disconnecting Power

Optional Siren

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

Security System Indicator

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

Fob

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.

NOTE:

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

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.

Siren

- 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: VRSC Models

⚠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)

- The maximum recommended safe engine speed is 9000 RPM.
- Do not idle engine unnecessarily for more than a few minutes with motorcycle standing still.

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)

NOTE:

The maximum recommended engine speed for VRSC model motorcycles is 9000 RPM.

If motorcycle will not be ridden for a period of three weeks or more with security system armed, it is recommended to connect a Battery Tender to maintain battery charge. If security system will not be armed, it is recommended that the 40 Amp maxi-fuse be removed. See Fuses and Relays.

CAUTION

Use only Genuine Harley-Davidson Extended Life Antifreeze and Coolant. Use of other coolants/mixtures may lead to engine damage. (00179b)

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)

NOTES:

- *While the motorcycle is operating, electronically controlled cooling fans will turn on periodically. This is normal operation.*
- *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)

CAUTION

Do not coast for long distances with the engine off or idling. The transmission is properly lubricated only when the engine is running. Coasting long distances can result in transmission damage. (00180b)

⚠WARNING

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

CAUTION

Using the clutch to slow the motorcycle when it is turned off and rolling backwards can damage the power train. (00562b)

Break-in Riding Rules

The First 500 Miles (800 Kilometers)

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 miles (800 kilometers). Adhering to these rules will promote future durability and performance of the motorcycle.

1. During the first 50 miles (80 kilometers) of riding, keep the engine speed below 5000 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.
2. Up to 500 miles (800 kilometers), vary the engine speed and avoid operating at any steady engine speed for long periods. Engine speed up to 7000 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. New brakes need to be worn in by moderate use for the first 200 miles (300 kilometers).

Pre-Riding Checklist

⚠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)

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

⚠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)

⚠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)

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)

1. Check the amount of fuel in the tank and add fuel if required.
2. Adjust mirrors to proper riding positions.
3. Check the oil level. See Checking Oil Level.
4. Check the coolant level. See Coolant Level.
5. Check the controls to be sure they are operating properly. Operate the front and rear

brakes, throttle, clutch and shifter.

6. 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)

7. Refer to Tires. Check tire condition and pressure. Incorrect pressure will result in poor riding characteristics and can affect handling and stability. Adhere to tire specifications for correct inflation pressures 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)

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

Jiffy Stand Interlock: International Models

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 falls 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.

Starting the Engine

General

CAUTION

The engine should be allowed to run slowly for 30-60 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. (00181b)

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

Starting

⚠WARNING

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

1. Turn ignition switch to IGNITION position. Do not roll the throttle.

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.

2. See Right Handlebar Controls: VRSC Models. Turn the OFF/RUN switch to RUN position.
3. Squeeze the clutch lever in against the handgrip.

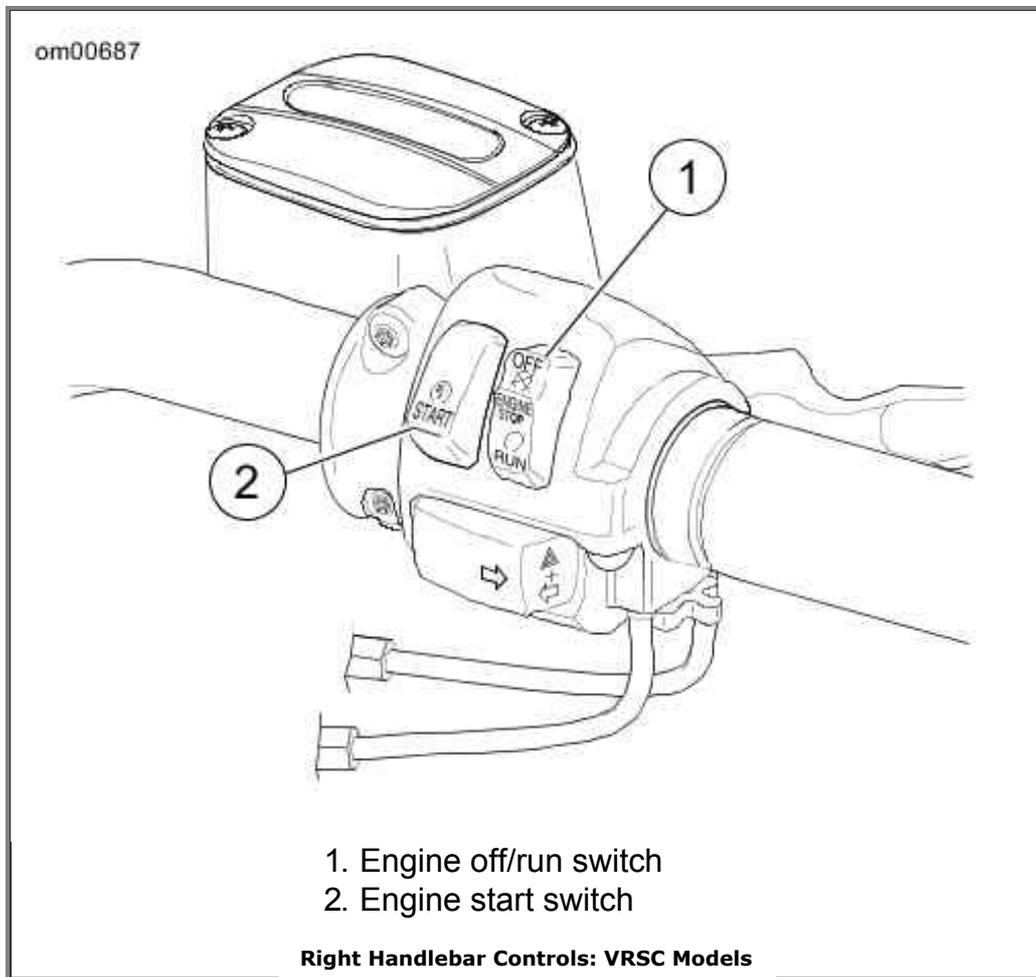
NOTE:

- *To activate the starting system, the clutch interlock circuitry requires the clutch be disengaged, clutch lever pulled in against left handgrip, and/or the transmission be shifted to the neutral position (green neutral lamp lit).*

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

NOTES:

- *If the fuel tank becomes completely dry, it may take a few seconds longer to start the motorcycle after filling the tank. It will not be necessary to take any extraordinary measures before starting the motorcycle.*
- *The ABS indicator lamp will remain on until vehicle is moving approximately 3 mph 5 km/h .*



Stopping The Engine

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

Shifting Gears

Shifting while Stopped

Motorcycle Stopped, Engine Off: Squeeze in the clutch lever to fully disengage the clutch. Rock the motorcycle backward and forward while lightly pressing on the shift lever.

Motorcycle Stopped, Engine Running: Gears may not engage because the transmission shafts are not turning and shifter components are not lined up.

Starting from a Stop

CAUTION

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

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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)

See Gear Shift Lever (Upshift): VRSC Models. Engage the next higher gear when the motorcycle reaches the shifting speed. Refer to Upshift (Acceleration) Road Speeds*.

Upshift (Acceleration) Road Speeds*

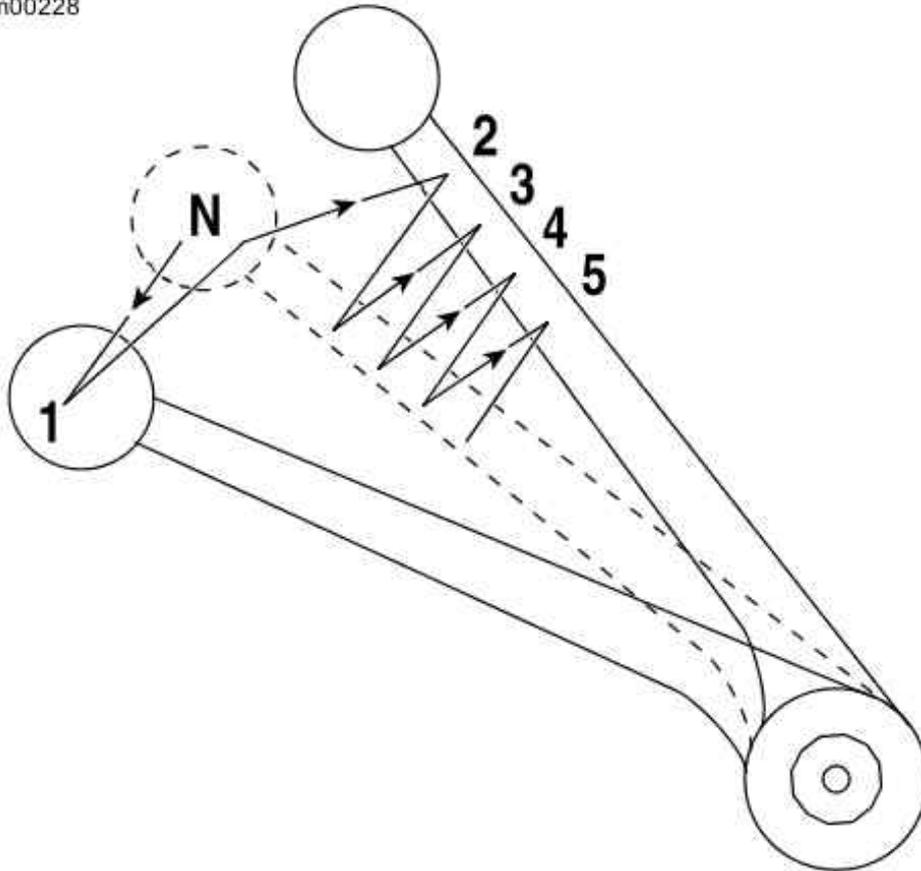
GEAR CHANGE	mph	km/h
First to second	15	25
Second to third	25	40
Third to fourth	35	55
Fourth to fifth	45	70
* The listed speeds are recommendations. Individual riding styles may determine gear change road speeds.		

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).*

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Gear Shift Lever (Upshift): VRSC 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 Gear Shift Lever (Downshift): VRSC 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.

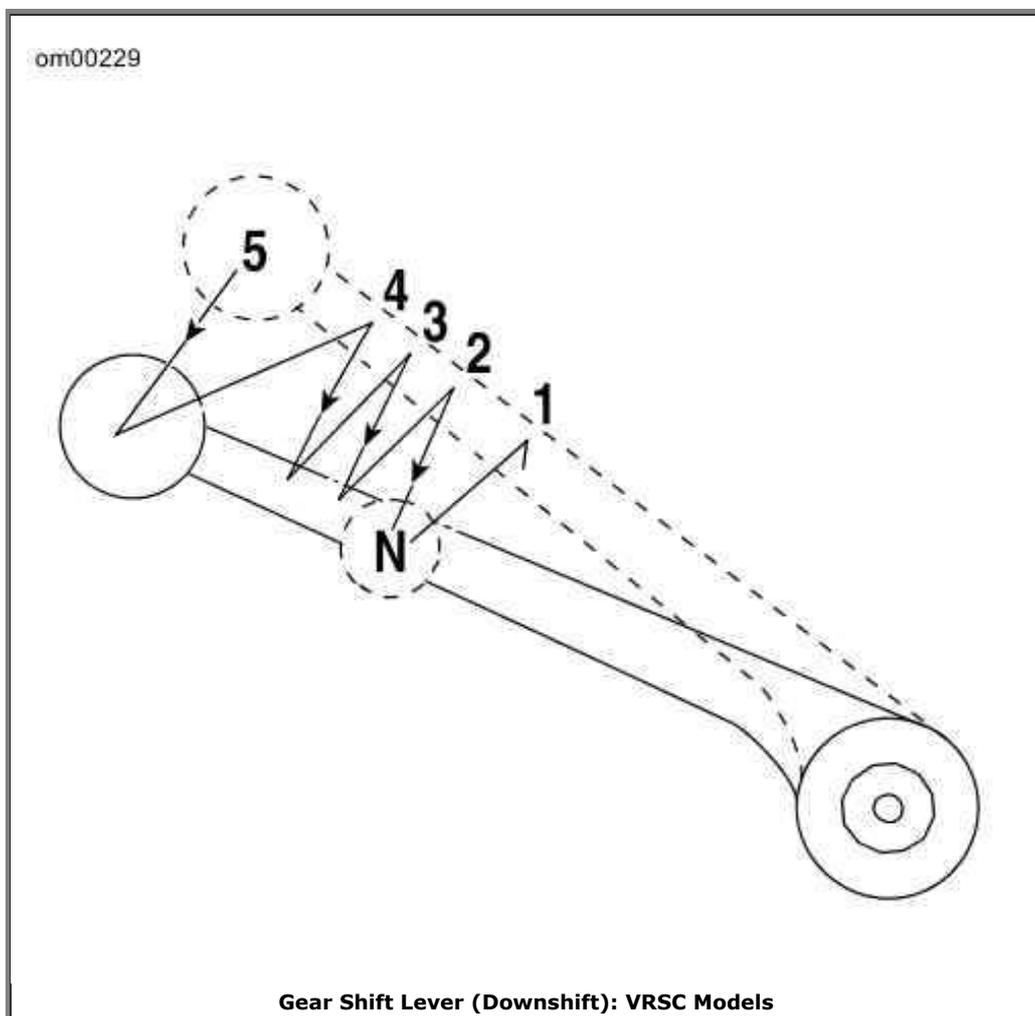
1. Close the throttle.
2. Disengage the clutch (pull the clutch lever in).
3. Press the gear shift lever down to the end of its travel and release.
4. Ease out the clutch lever and gradually open the throttle.

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)



Maintenance and Lubrication

Safe Operating Maintenance

⚠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)

Good maintenance leads to a safe operating machine. A careful check of certain equipment must be made after periods of storage and frequently 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. Drive belt for proper tension.
3. Brakes, steering and throttle for responsiveness.
4. Brake fluid level and condition. Hydraulic lines and fittings for leaks. Also, check brake pads and discs for wear.
5. Throttle cables for fraying or crimping and free operation.
6. Engine oil level.
7. Engine coolant level.
8. Clutch fluid level.
9. Headlamp, tail lamp, brake lamp and directional lamp operation.

Break-in Maintenance

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 VRSC Models.

Engine Lubrication

⚠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

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: VRSC Models.

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: VRSC Models

HARLEY-DAVIDSON TYPE	VISCOSITY	HARLEY-DAVIDSON RATING	LOWEST AMBIENT TEMPERATURE	COLD WEATHER STARTS BELOW 50 °F 10 °C
HD 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 Lubricant	SAE 20W50	HD 360	Above 40 °F 4 °C	Good
HD Multi-grade	SAE 20W50	HD 360	Above 40 °F 4 °C	Good

Checking Oil Level

NOTE:

This engine has a wet sump, an integral transmission, gear driven primary drive and wet clutch. This design allows engine oil in the sump to be used to lubricate the engine, transmission and primary drive. The clutch and primary drive are housed on the right side of the engine.

CAUTION

Oil level cannot be accurately measured on a cold engine. For pre-ride inspection with the motorcycle upright (not leaning on jiffy stand) on level ground, the oil should register approximately at the midpoint of the cross-hatch area on the dipstick when the engine is cold. Do not add oil to bring the level to the full mark on a cold engine. (00186b)

See Dipstick Location: VRSCF Model (VRSCF) and Dipstick Location: VRSCDX (other models). On VRSCF model, the dipstick is located on the right side in the clutch cover. On other models, the dipstick is located on left side at front of engine.

Cold Engine Oil Level Check

Check the oil level with the engine **COLD** as follows:

1. Stand the motorcycle upright (not leaning on the jiffy stand) on a level surface.
2. See Dipstick Location: VRSCDX. Unscrew the oil filler cap (with attached dipstick) by turning the filler cap counterclockwise. Remove the filler cap and dipstick and wipe the dipstick clean.
3. Screw the filler cap into the engine. Make sure the cap is fully seated on the crankcase.
4. See Engine Oil Level: VRSC Models. Remove the filler cap again and check the oil level on the dipstick.
5. If the oil level is below the midpoint of the cross-hatch area on the dipstick, add enough Harley-Davidson oil to bring the level up to the midpoint of the cross-hatch area shown.

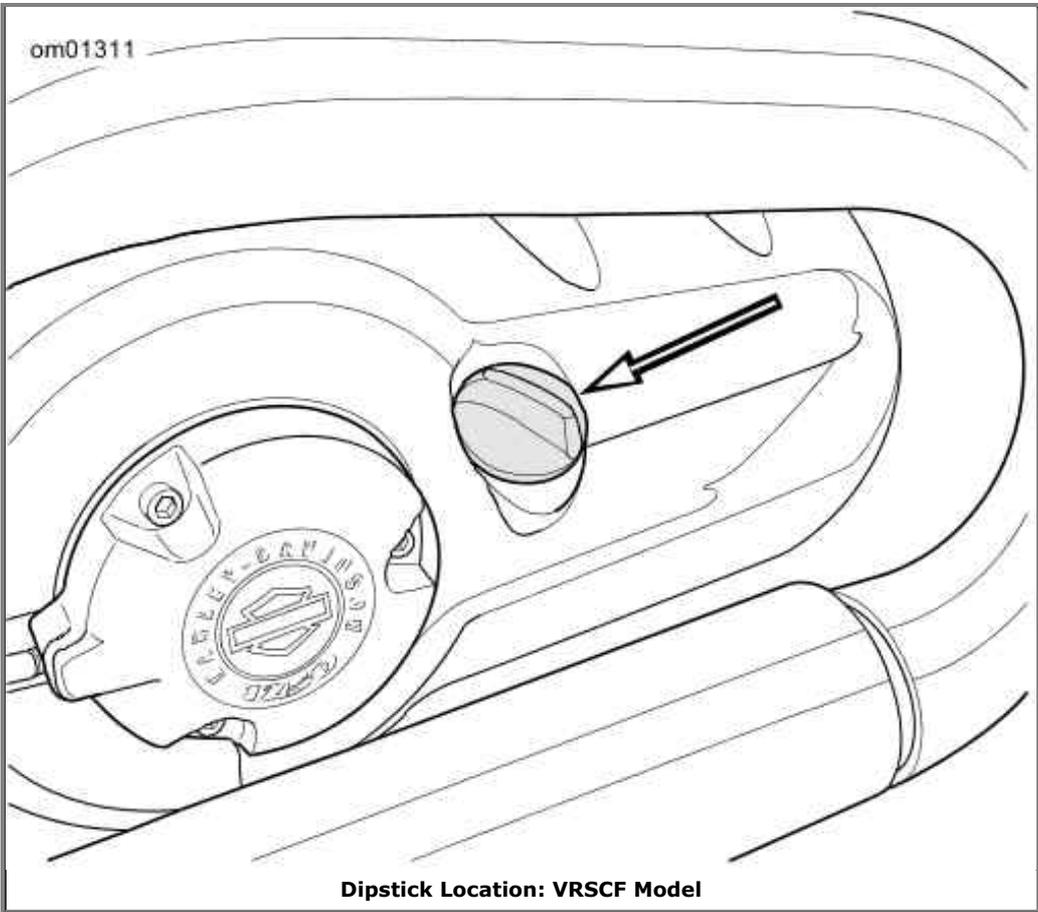
CAUTION

Do NOT operate the engine when the oil level is below the add mark on the dipstick at operating temperature. Engine damage could result. (00493b)

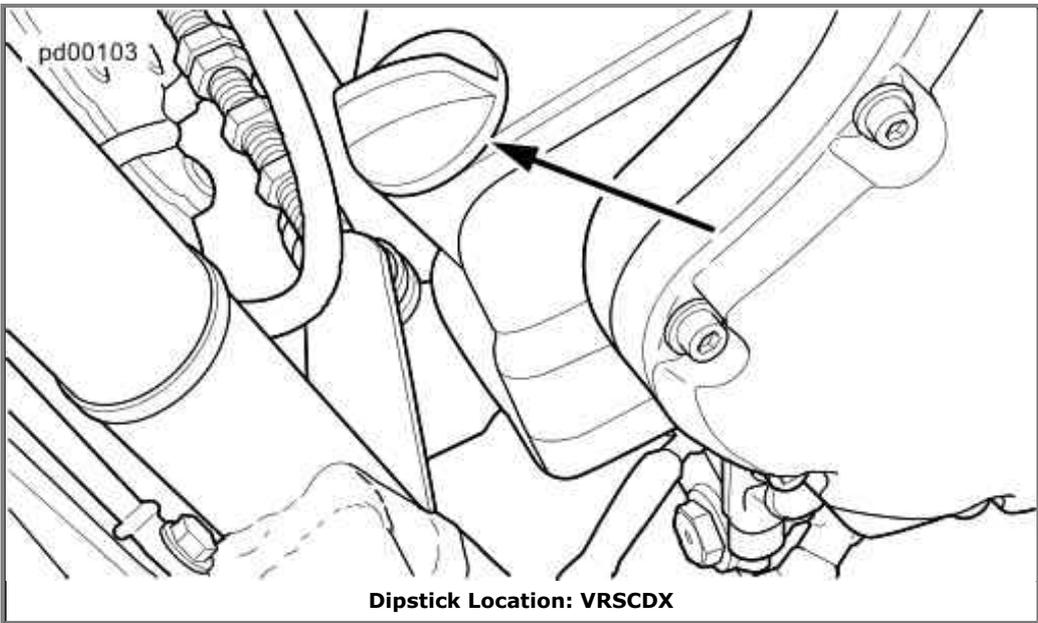
CAUTION

To avoid over-filling the oil sump, wait approximately three minutes after adding oil before checking the oil level with the dipstick. An over-filled sump can cause engine damage. (00188a)

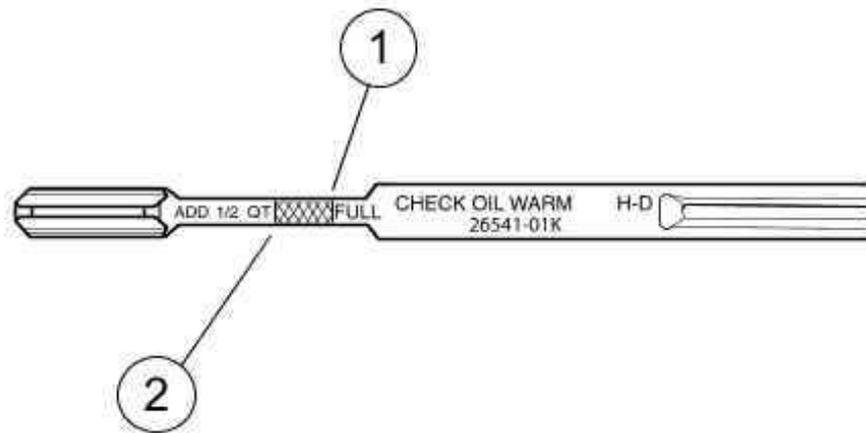
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Dipstick Location: VRSCF Model



Dipstick Location: VRSCDX



1. Full mark
2. Add mark. Do NOT operate the engine when the oil level is below the add mark at operating temperature.

Engine Oil Level: VRSC Models

Hot Engine Oil Level Check

Check the oil level with the engine at normal operating temperature as follows:

1. Stop the engine and allow the oil to drain into the sump for about two minutes.
2. Stand the motorcycle upright (not leaning on the jiffy stand) on a level surface.
3. See Dipstick Location: VRSCDX. Unscrew the oil filler cap (with attached dipstick) by turning the filler cap counterclockwise. Remove the filler cap and dipstick and wipe the dipstick clean.
4. Screw the filler cap into the engine. Make sure the cap is fully seated on the crankcase.
5. See Engine Oil Level: VRSC Models. Remove the filler cap again and check the oil level on the dipstick.
6. If the oil level is below the FULL mark on the dipstick, add enough Harley-Davidson oil to bring the level up to the FULL mark shown in Engine Oil Level: VRSC Models.

NOTE:

The engine will require a longer warm-up period in colder weather.

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)

CAUTION

Do not overfill oil sump. Doing so can result in oil carryover to the air cleaner leading to equipment damage and/or equipment malfunction. (00191a)

- Check the engine oil supply at each complete fuel refill.
- Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 VRSC Models. The oil should be changed according to the Regular Service Intervals in the Maintenance Schedule in normal service at warm or moderate temperatures.
- Oil change intervals should be shorter in cold weather. See Winter Lubrication.
- The oil ADD mark is 1/2 quart (0.473 liters) to full.

Refer to the vehicle's service manual or see a Harley-Davidson dealer for proper procedures on draining the oil.

NOTE:

Dispose of oil in accordance with local regulations.

Changing Oil and Oil Filter

See Applying Thin Oil Film. The oil filter is located on an oil filter mount in front of the engine.

⚠ 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 switch lubricant brands indiscriminately because some lubricants interact chemically when mixed. Use of inferior lubricants can damage the engine. (00184a)

VRSC vehicles require a premium oil filter (Part No. 63793-01K).

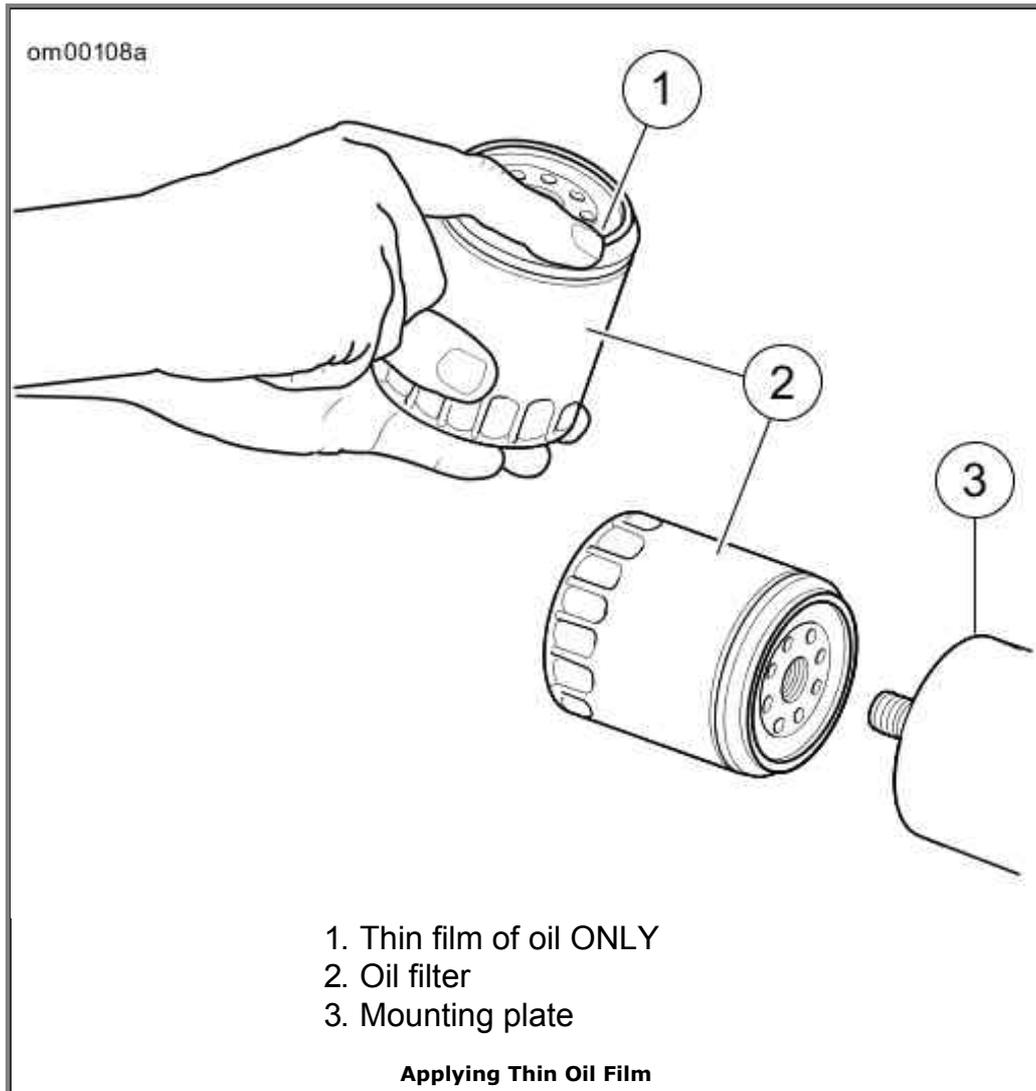
1. See Oil Drain Plug: VRSC Model. Loosen the oil drain plug and completely drain the oil.
2. Remove the oil filter using an OIL FILTER WRENCH HD-42311 .

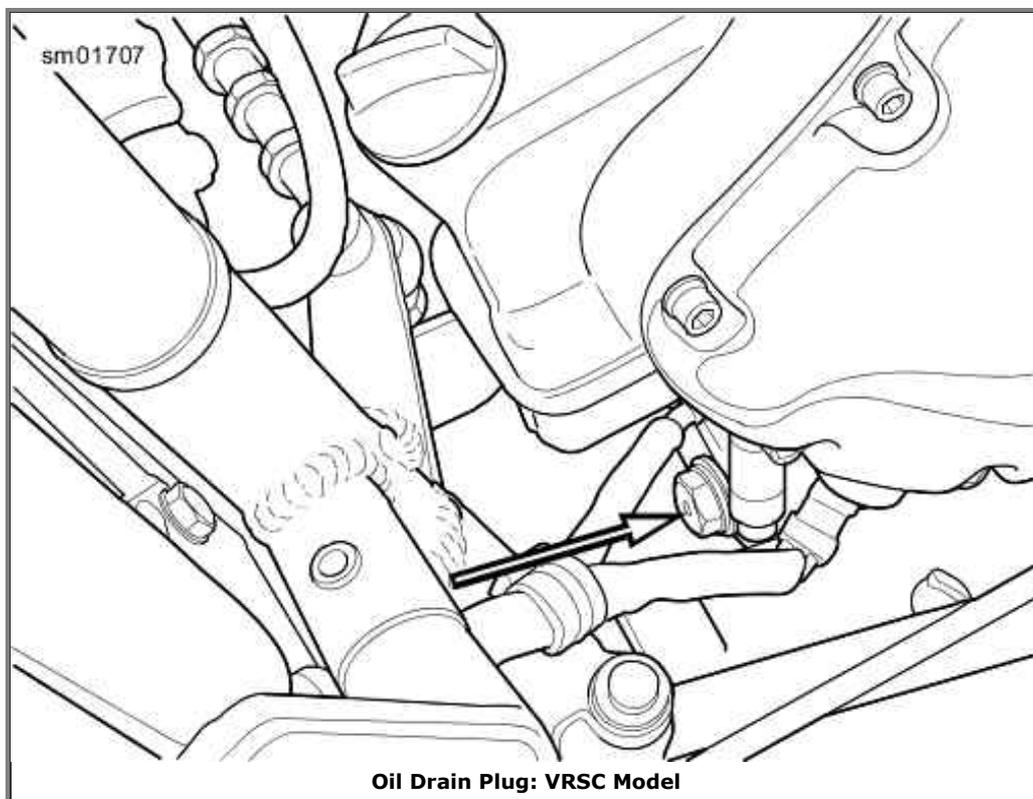
NOTES:

- *Removal of lower radiator support may make oil filter access easier.*
- *Dispose of oil and oil filter in accordance with local regulations.*

3. Clean the filter gasket contact surface on the mounting plate (the surface should be smooth and free of any debris or old gasket material).
4. See Applying Thin Oil Film. Apply a thin film of oil to the gasket contact surface on the mounting plate, gasket and **new** oil filter.

5. Screw the filter onto the adapter until the gasket contacts the plate surface, then apply another 2/3-1 full turn.
6. See Oil Drain Plug: VRSC Model. Install the engine oil drain plug. Tighten the drain plug to 22-30 ft-lbs (30-40 Nm).
7. Refer to Capacities. Fill the engine with the recommended amount of oil.





Winter Lubrication

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.

Coolant Level

GENUINE HARLEY-DAVIDSON EXTENDED LIFE ANTIFREEZE & COOLANT (Part No. 99822-02) provides protection to -34° F -36.7° C . In climates where the temperature falls below -34° F -36.7° C , consult a local Harley-Davidson dealer for the proper mixture.

CAUTION

Use only Genuine Harley-Davidson Extended Life
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Antifreeze and Coolant. Use of other coolants/mixtures may lead to engine damage. (00179b)

If you find yourself in a location where Genuine Harley-Davidson Extended Life Antifreeze & Coolant is not available, you may use a 50-50 mixture of de-ionized water and Ethylene Glycol-based Antifreeze.

CAUTION

De-ionized water must be used with the antifreeze in the cooling system. Hard water can cause scale accumulation in water passages which reduces cooling system efficiency, leading to overheating and engine damage. (00195a)

Checking Coolant Level in Expansion Tank

1. Open the seat.
2. On VRSCF model, remove front side covers. See Front Side Covers: VRSCF Model.
3. See Airbox Cover. Remove the airbox cover by turning the bailhead fastener 1/4 turn counterclockwise. Pull the airbox cover away from the front locating holes.

⚠ WARNING

Do not remove radiator filler cap when engine is hot. The cooling system is under pressure and hot coolant and steam can escape, which could cause severe burns. Allow engine to cool before servicing the cooling system. (00091a)

⚠ CAUTION

At operating temperature, the radiator and oil cooler contain hot fluids. Contact with the radiator or oil cooler can result in minor or moderate burns. (00141a)

4. See Coolant Expansion Tank: VRSC Models. Check coolant level in expansion tank with coolant cold and motorcycle on jiffy stand.

⚠ WARNING

Coolant mixture contains toxic chemicals, which may be fatal if swallowed. If swallowed, do not induce vomiting; call a physician immediately. Use in a well ventilated area. Irritation to skin or eyes can occur from vapors or direct contact. In case of skin or eye contact, flush thoroughly with water and go to hospital, if necessary. Dispose of

used coolant according to federal, state and local regulations. (00092a)

5. If level is below "COLD FULL" line on tank, remove cap from expansion tank by using pull tab and add Harley-Davidson Extended Life Antifreeze & Coolant until fluid level reaches the "COLD FULL" line.

NOTE:

Genuine Harley-Davidson Extended Life Antifreeze & Coolant is pre-diluted and ready to use full-strength. Do NOT add water.

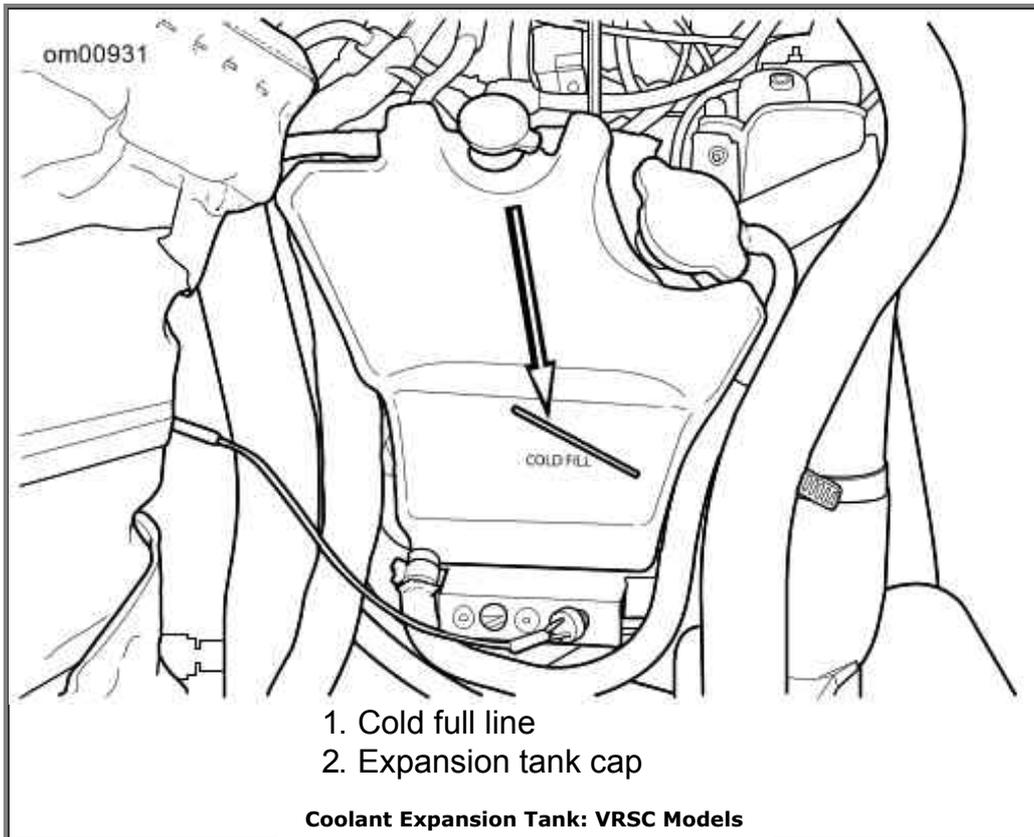
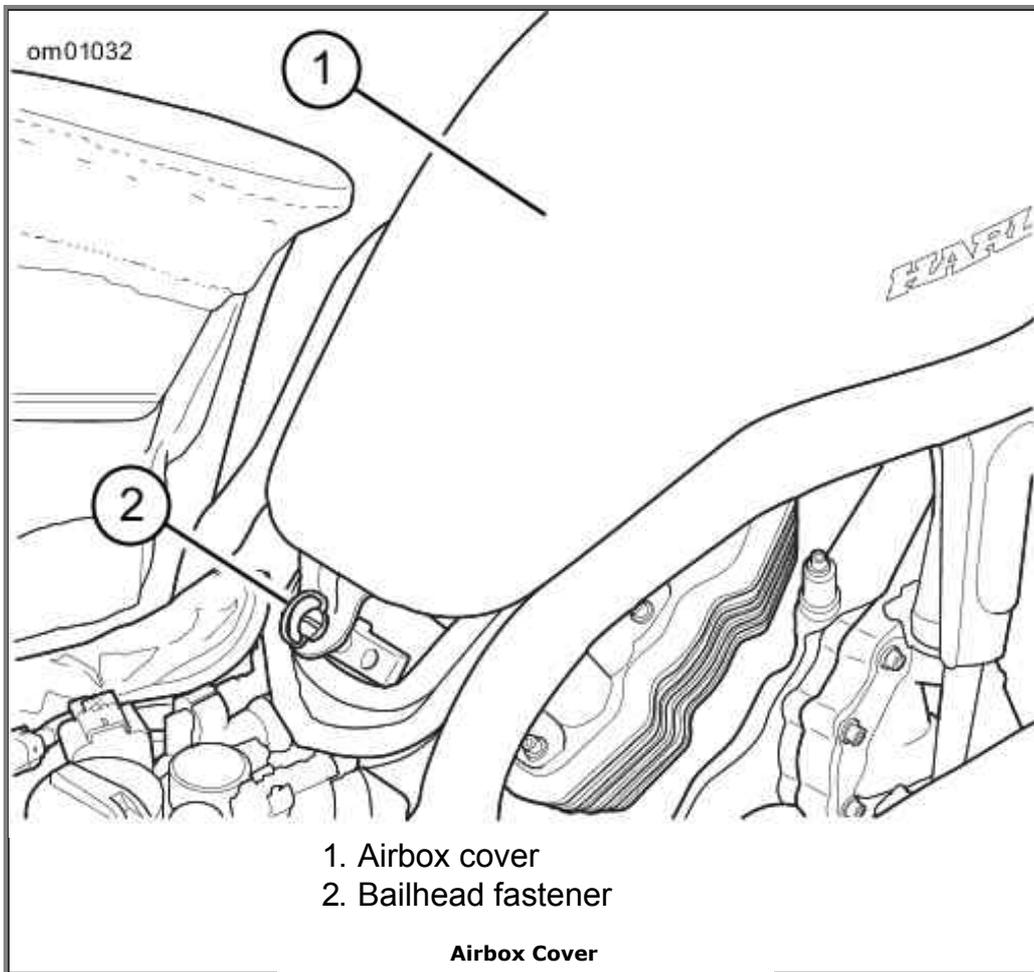
6. Replace the cap on the expansion tank.
7. Install the airbox cover. Secure the cover by turning the bailhead fastener 1/4 turn clockwise.
8. On VRSCF model, install front side covers. See Front Side Covers: VRSCF Model.

NOTE:

If the coolant expansion tank is empty when the engine is cold, it is possible that air has been drawn into the cooling system. The system must be purged of any trapped air and refilled with coolant. See the VRSC service manual for instructions on the correct procedure.

CAUTION

Clean the inlet surface of the radiator regularly. Leaves and other debris can collect on the radiator surface and degrade radiator performance which could lead to engine overheating and engine damage. (00197c)



Rear Drive Belt

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.

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 VRSC Models. Belt tension is set at the factory and should be checked after the first 1000 miles 1600 kilometers and at regular intervals thereafter.

NOTE:

See *Belt Deflection Window: VRSC Models*. Belt deflection window on the debris deflector is graduated in 2.0 mm increments.

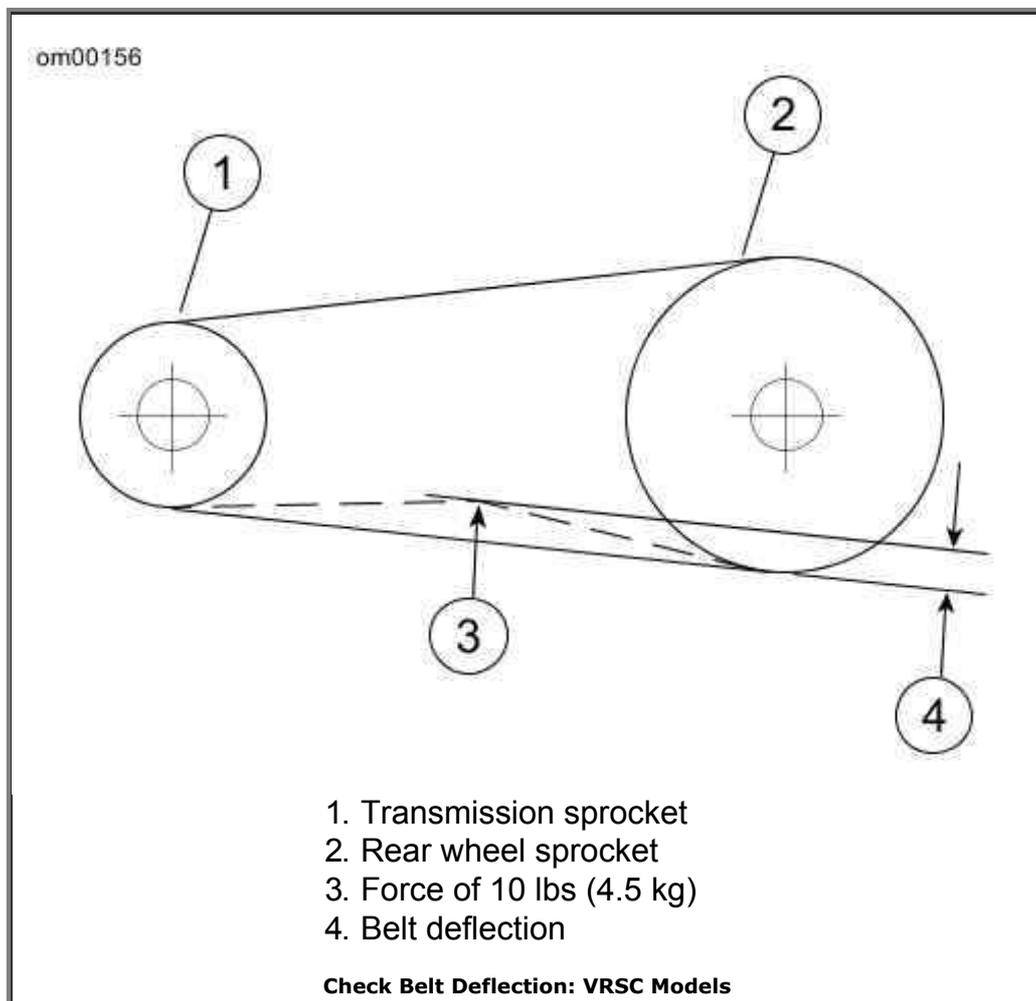
See *Check Belt Deflection: VRSC Models*. Check belt tension with motorcycle cold, standing upright, transmission in neutral and no rider on the motorcycle. Use the BELT TENSION GAUGE HD-35381 to apply 10 lbs. 4.5 kg of force at the midpoint of the bottom belt strand.

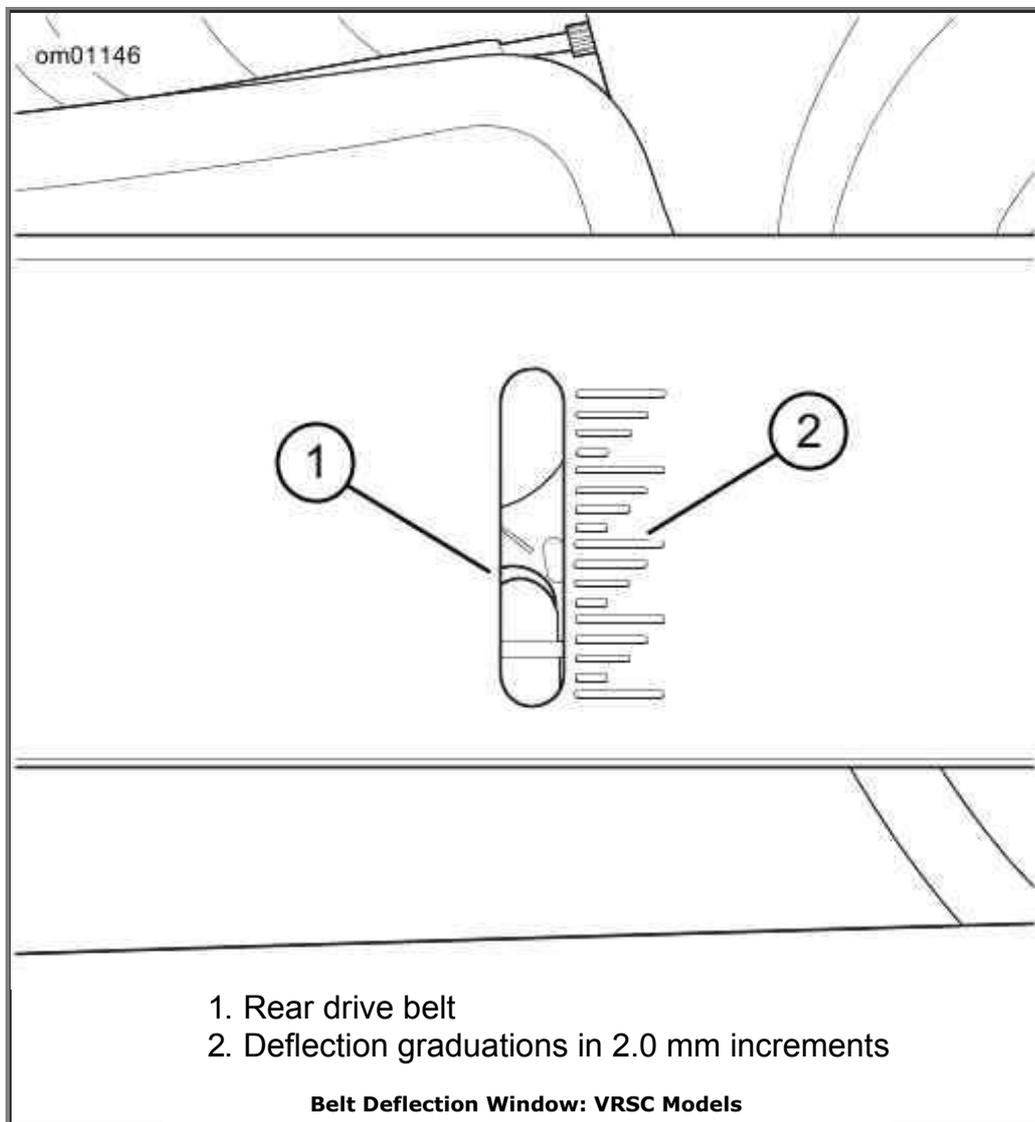
Belt deflection should be 8 mm. If belt tension adjustment is necessary, see a Harley-Davidson dealer or follow the instructions given in the applicable Service Manual.

Check rear brake caliper position on rear brake disc. Disc should run true within brake caliper.

⚠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)





Chassis Lubrication

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 VRSC 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.

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Oil Applications

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 VRSC 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

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 VRSC 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.

Fuel Filter

A fuel filter is attached to the fuel pump. See a service manual or Harley-Davidson dealer for fuel filter maintenance.

Hydraulic Clutch

Squeezing the left hand lever causes the clutch master cylinder to actuate and apply pressure to the clutch actuation cylinder mounted in the engine right side cover. The actuation cylinder piston extends and contacts the clutch release bearing to release the clutch.

Clutch fluid level should be checked periodically. Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 VRSC Models. Check the fluid level as follows:

1. Stand the motorcycle upright (not leaning on the jiffy stand) on a level surface, and turn handlebar so the top of the clutch master cylinder is level.
2. See Clutch Reservoir Sight Glass. View reservoir sight glass (1) and verify fluid level is at or above the Min line. If fluid level is low, proceed to next step.

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)

3. Clean all dirt and debris from the clutch master cylinder cover (3). Remove the two clutch master cylinder cover screws (2) and remove the cover.
4. Verify the fluid level in the clutch master cylinder reservoir is at the FILL LEVEL mark at the top of the ledge on the rear inside wall of the reservoir. If the fluid level is low, add D.O.T. 4 HYDRAULIC BRAKE FLUID (Part No. 99953-99A) approved for clutch system use and available from a Harley-Davidson dealer.

NOTE:

Do not overfill the clutch master cylinder reservoir. As the clutch friction discs wear, the

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piston in the clutch cylinder will force fluid back into the reservoir which could cause fluid overflow. If clutch fluid level is over full, the clutch can be damaged.

CAUTION

D.O.T. 4 hydraulic brake fluid is used in the hydraulic clutch. Do not use other types of fluids as they are not compatible and could cause equipment damage. (00353a)

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)

⚠ CAUTION

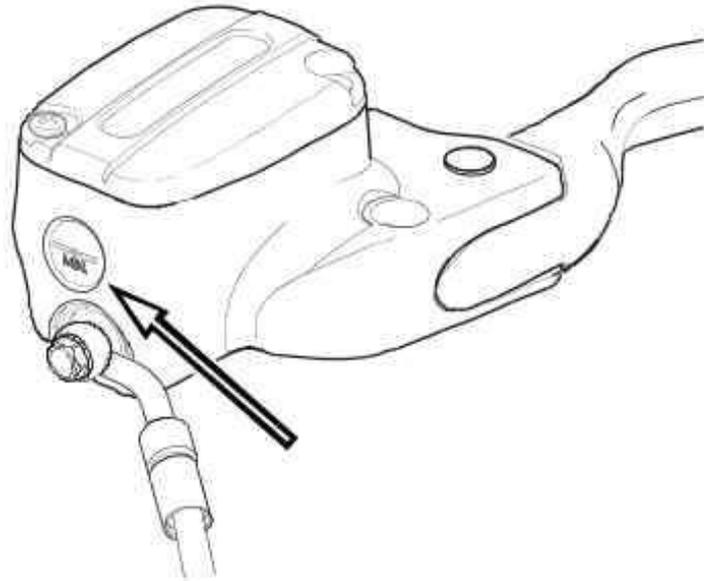
Direct contact of D.O.T. 4 brake fluid with eyes can cause irritation. Avoid eye contact. In case of eye contact flush with large amounts of water and get medical attention. Swallowing large amounts of D.O.T. 4 brake fluid can cause digestive discomfort. If swallowed, obtain medical attention. Use in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

5. Inspect the clutch master cylinder cover gasket (4) for rips, cuts, cracks, or other signs of damage. Replace the gasket if necessary. Carefully place the cover and cover gasket on the master cylinder reservoir and secure with the two cover screws. Tighten the screws to 6-8 in-lbs (0.7-0.9 Nm).

NOTE:

If the fluid level in the clutch master cylinder reservoir is correct but the clutch does not operate properly, refer to the service manual or see a Harley-Davidson dealer for service.

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Clutch Reservoir Sight Glass

Steering Head Bearings

⚠ 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 VRSC 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

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 VRSC 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

Brake Fluid

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)

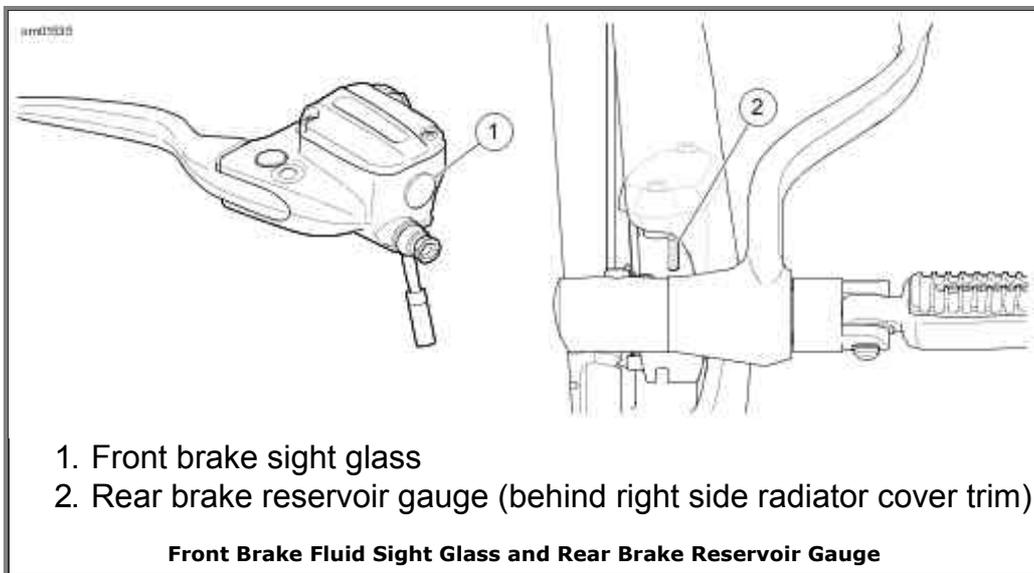
CAUTION

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 Glass and Rear Brake Reservoir 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,

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during some braking conditions you may experience noise. This is normal for this friction material.

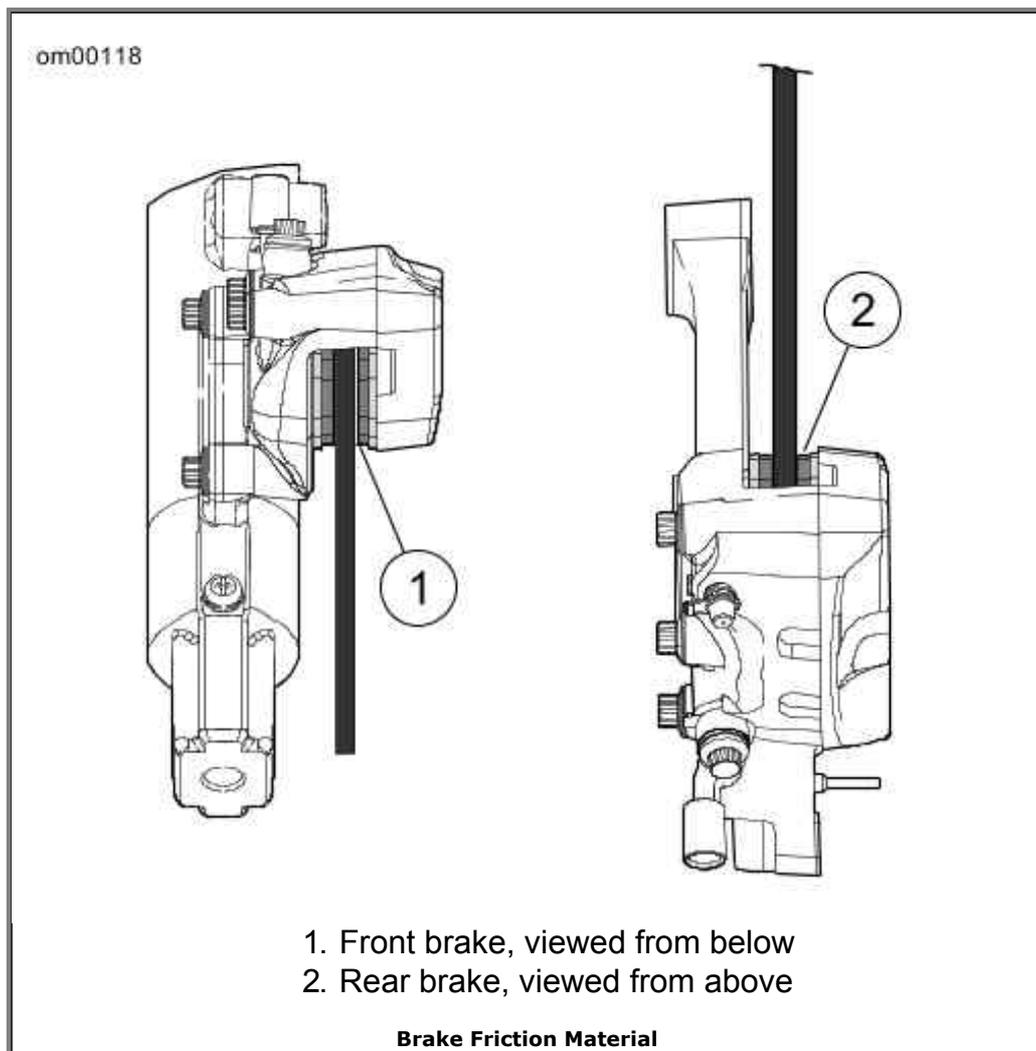
1. Check the rear brake disc as it spins. The disc should run true in the brake caliper.
2. See Brake Friction Material. Using a thin plastic ruler, measure the thickness of the brake pad friction material. For rear brakes, place the ruler against the brake disc through the space alongside the caliper.
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

in	mm
0.040	1.02



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)

- Refer to Tires. Be sure to keep tires properly inflated.
- Follow the data for correct cold tire inflation pressures.
- Check before riding when tires are cold.
- Do not over-inflate tires.

⚠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)

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

NOTE:

The VRSC features performance-oriented tires. These tires require more frequent inspection and may require more frequent replacement than Harley-Davidson touring model tires.

Refer to Tires. Same 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

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

Inspection

⚠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)

See Tire Sidewall: VRSC Models. Arrows on tire sidewalls pinpoint location of wear bar indicators.

Tread wear indicator bars will appear on tire tread surfaces when 1/32 in 0.8 mm or less of tire tread remains. See Tread Surface Wear Bar (Typical): VRSC Models . Always replace tires before the tread wear indicator bars appear.

When To Replace Tires

New tires are needed if any of the following conditions exist:

1. Tread wear indicator bars become visible on the tread surfaces.
2. Tire cords or fabric become visible through cracked sidewalls, snags or deep cuts.
3. A bump, bulge or split in the tire.
4. Puncture, cut or other damage to the tire that cannot be repaired.

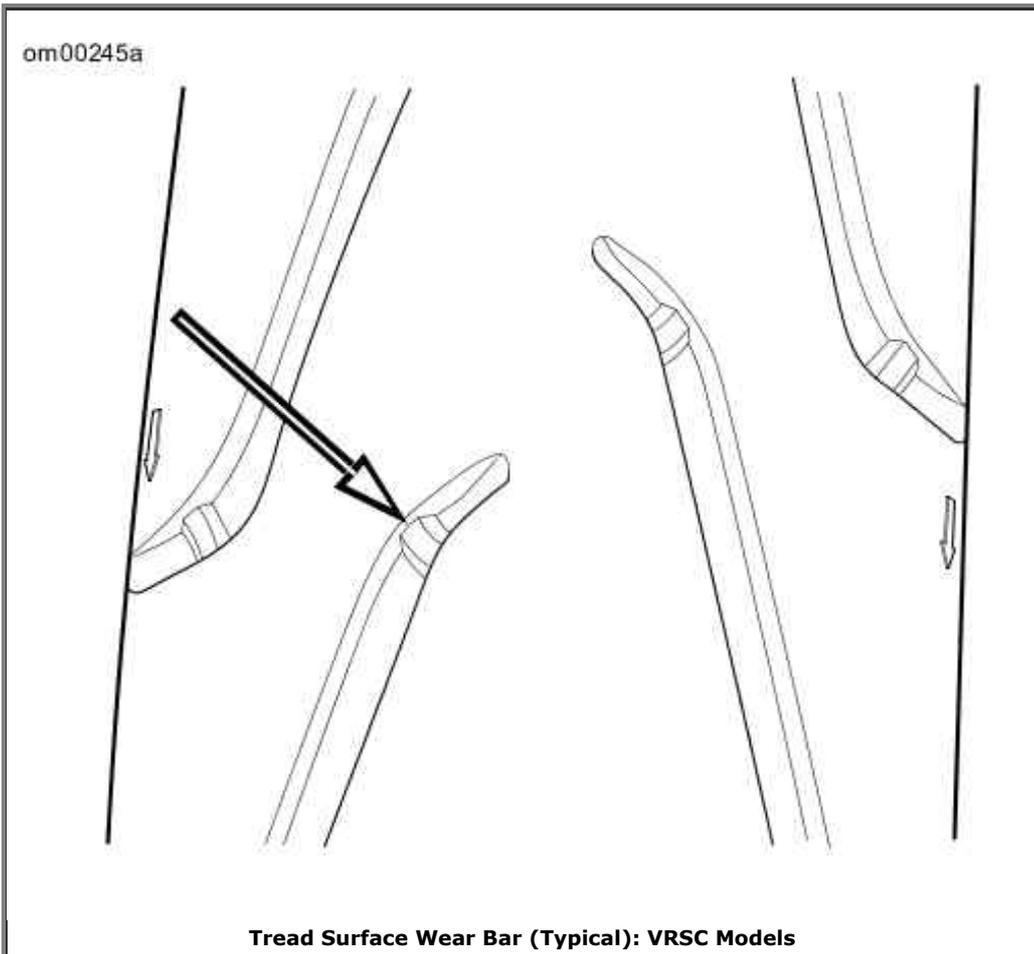
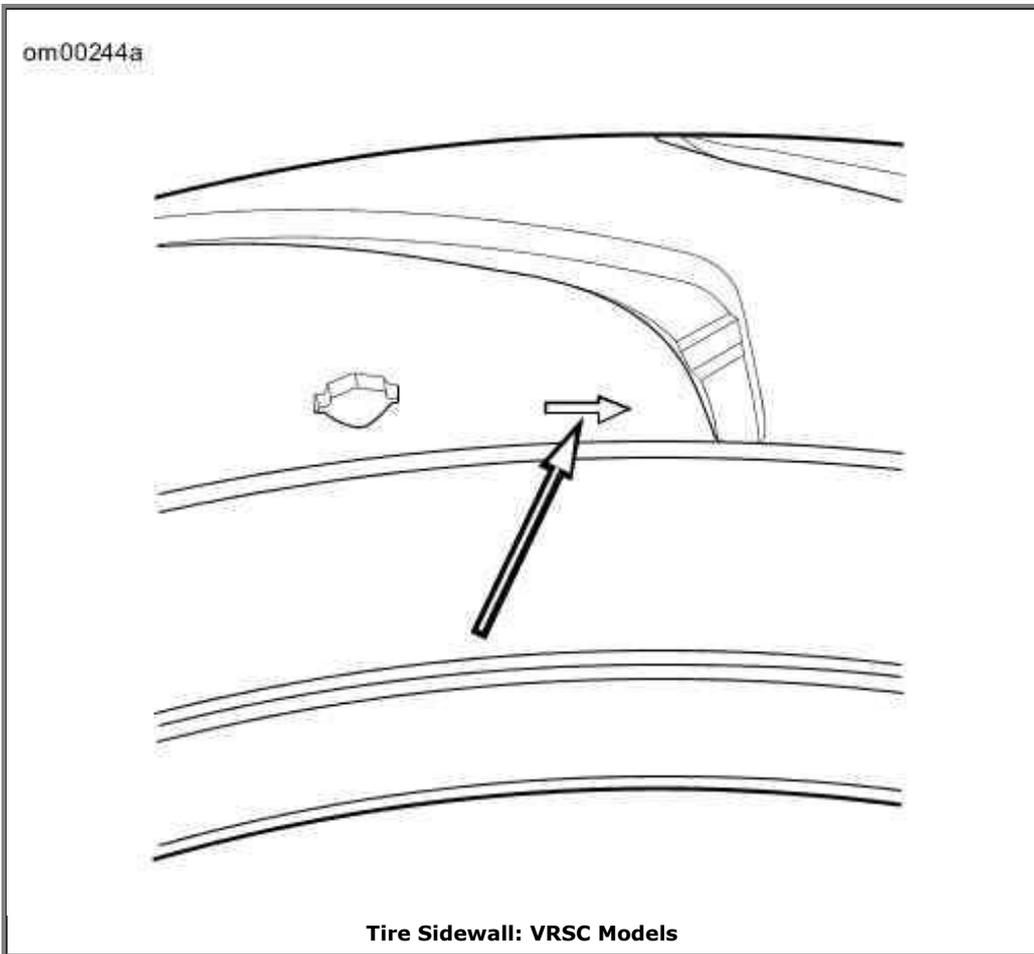
When installing tires on rims, do not rely on tread design to determine direction of rotation. Always be sure the rotational arrows molded into the sidewalls point in the direction of rotation when the vehicle is moving forward.

Refer to Tires for approved tires.

⚠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)



Spark Plugs/Coils: VRSC Models

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

⚠ 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)

Before installing spark plugs, the gap should be checked and adjusted if necessary to 0.035 in. (0.89 mm).

Be sure your motorcycle has the correct spark plug. Use a **10R12A** spark plug.

Spark plugs must be tightened to the torque specified for proper heat transfer. Tighten spark plugs to 17 ft-lbs (23 Nm) per spark plug.

NOTES:

- *If a torque wrench is not available, tighten the spark plugs finger tight; then tighten an additional one quarter turn with a spark plug wrench.*
- *The VRSC is equipped with plug-top coils. To inspect the spark plugs, the coils must be removed. Consult the VRSC Service Manual for the proper service procedure.*

Shock Absorbers

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

Ignition

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.

Front Side Covers: VRSCF Model

Removal

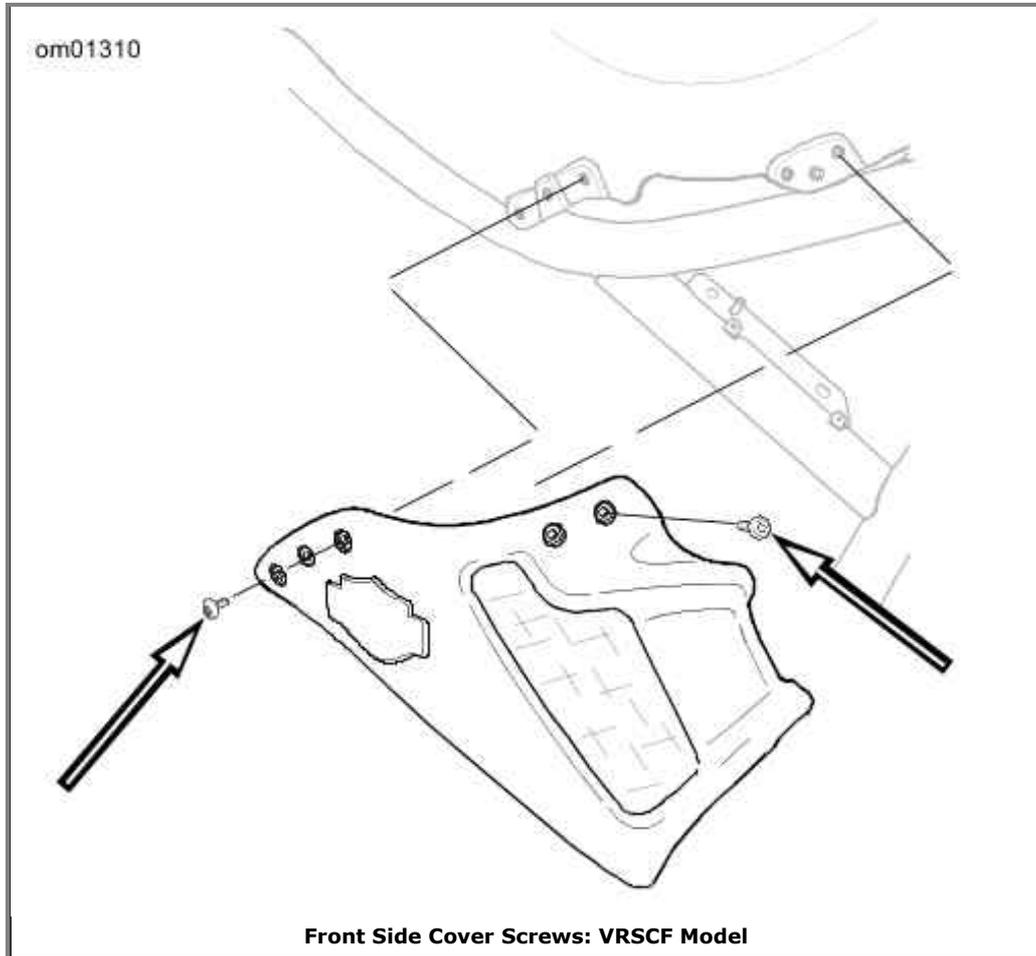
1. See Front Side Cover Screws: VRSCF Model. Remove five screws from front side cover.
2. Lift side cover slightly to disengage mounting pin from bottom of side cover. Pull side cover from frame.

Installation

1. See Front Side Cover Screws: VRSCF Model. Orient the air inlet toward the front of the vehicle and align grommet in side cover with the mounting pin on frame. Press side cover to <https://www.motorcycle-manual.com/>

engage mounting pin.

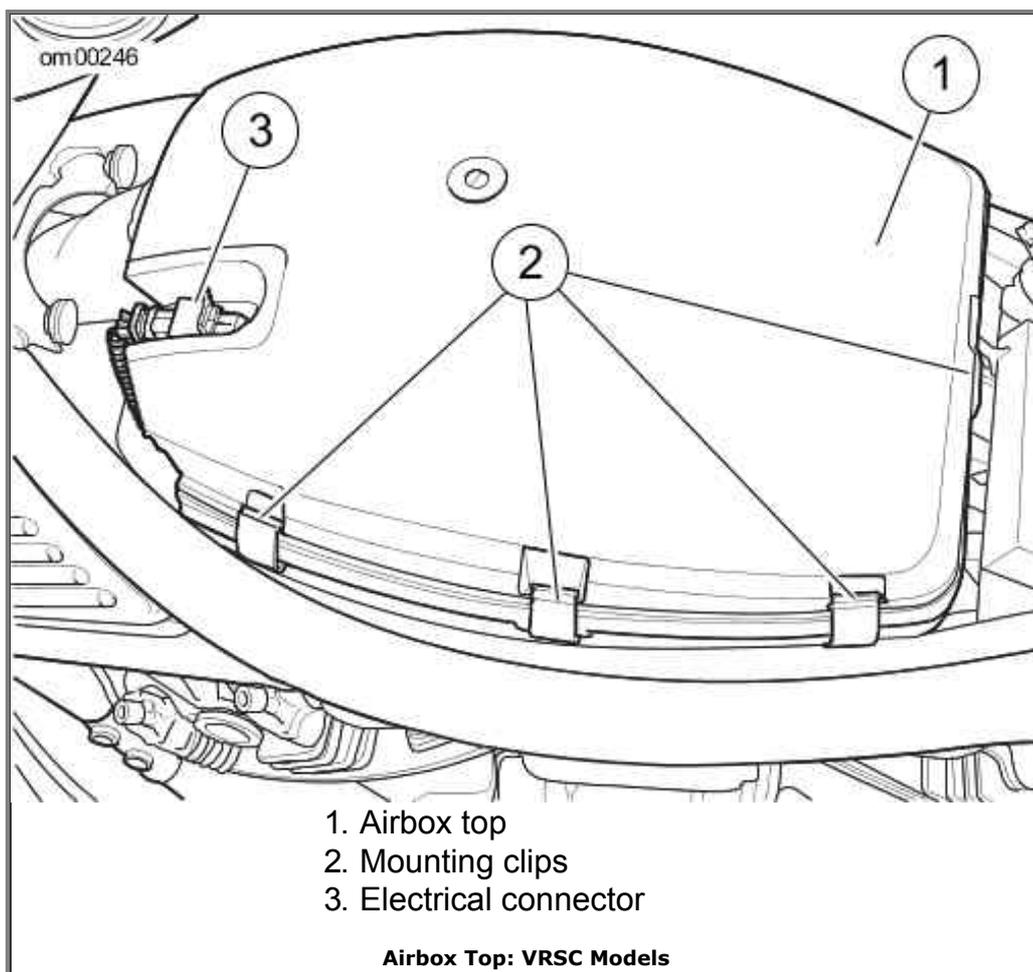
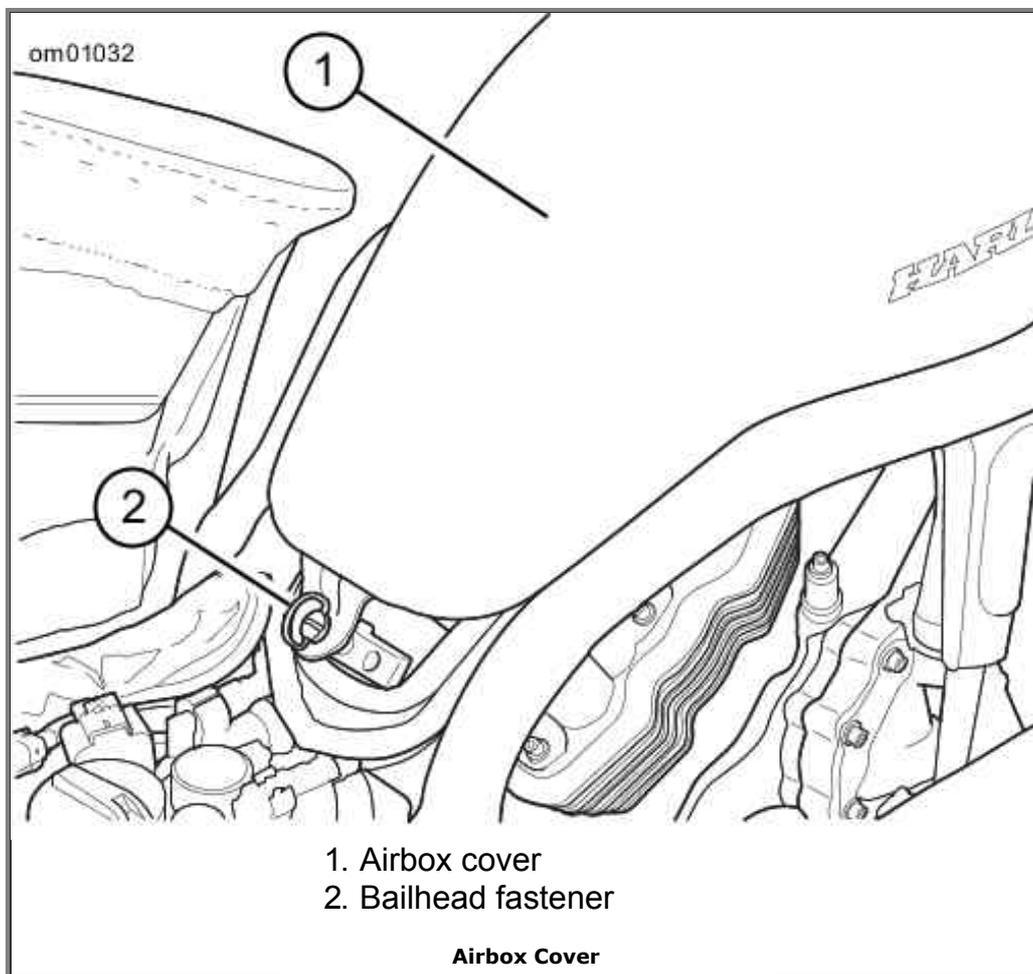
2. Install five screws with washers and tighten to 36.3-60.2 in-lbs (4.1-6.8 Nm).



Air Cleaner

Refer to Regular Service Intervals: 2011 VRSC Models. The engine air cleaner is a paper/wire mesh air filter element. Inspect the filter element. Inspect more often under dusty conditions. Remove the air cleaner as follows:

1. Open seat.
2. On VRSCF model, remove front side covers. See Front Side Covers: VRSCF Model.
3. See Airbox Cover. Remove the airbox cover by turning the bailhead fastener 1/4 turn counterclockwise. Pull the airbox cover away from the front locating holes.
4. See Airbox Top: VRSC Models. Remove electrical connector (3) by pushing down on bail wire to unlock. The airbox top is retained by eight clips, three per side, one at the rear and one in the front under the snorkel. Release the clips and remove the airbox top.



5. See Air Cleaner Assembly: VRSC Models. Unscrew the wing nut securing the air cleaner cap. Remove the air cleaner cap and paper/wire mesh air filter element.

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CAUTION

To prevent objects from falling down the velocity stacks, temporarily reinstall the air cleaner cap. (00208a)

6. Wash the paper/wire mesh air filter element in luke warm water with a mild detergent. Rinse thoroughly.

⚠ 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)

7. Allow the filter element to either air dry or blow it dry from the inside with low pressure air.
8. Hold the filter element up to a strong light source. If light is uniformly visible through the element, it is sufficiently clean. Replace the filter element if it is damaged or if the filter media cannot be adequately cleaned.

NOTE:

Do not use air cleaner filter oil on Harley-Davidson paper/wire mesh air filter elements.

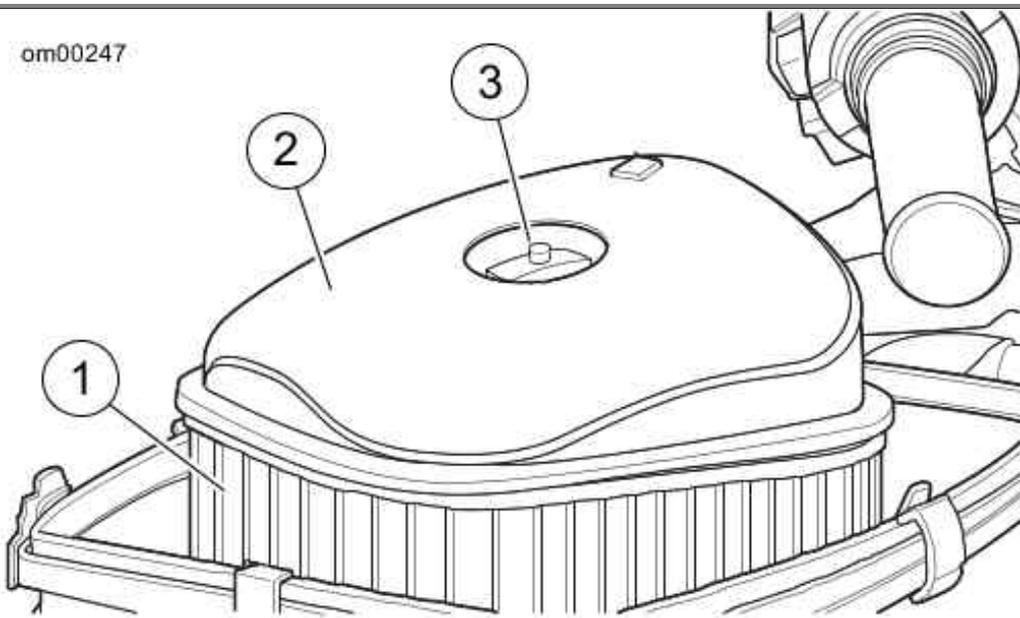
9. Remove the air cleaner cap. Place the air filter element in the bottom tray of the airbox. Install the air cleaner cap over the air filter element and secure with the wing nut.

CAUTION

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

10. Position the airbox top over the air filter assembly and fasten the clips along each side and the clip at the rear.
11. See Front Airbox Clip. The front clip under the snorkel is attached to the airbox top. Fasten the clip over the lip on the airbox bottom.
12. See Airbox Cover. Position the airbox cover with the locating pins in the holes on the frame tabs.
13. Turn the bailhead fastener 1/4 turn clockwise to secure the airbox cover to the motorcycle.
14. On VRSCF model, install front side covers. See Front Side Covers: VRSCF Model.
15. Close seat.

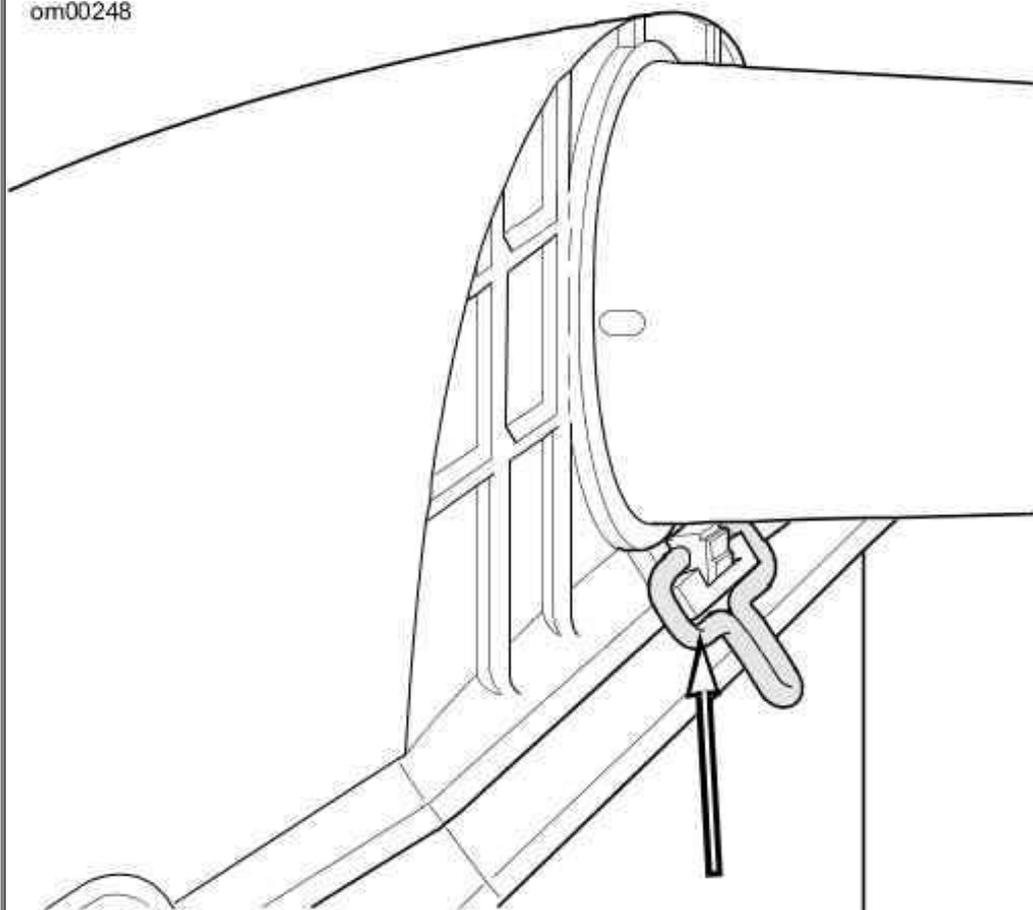
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1. Air filter element
2. Air cleaner cap
3. Wing nut

Air Cleaner Assembly: VRSC Models

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Front Airbox Clip

Headlamp Bulb Replacement: VRSCF

Bulb 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)

1. Remove the main fuse. See Fuses and Relays.
2. See Headlamp Assembly: VRSCF. Reach behind the headlamp bucket and grasp the low beam (1) or high beam (2) bulb socket connector.
3. Squeeze the release latches to remove the connector from the headlamp bulb.

⚠ WARNING

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

4. Twist the bulb 45 degrees counterclockwise and carefully pull the bulb from the housing. Discard bulb.

Bulb Installation

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)

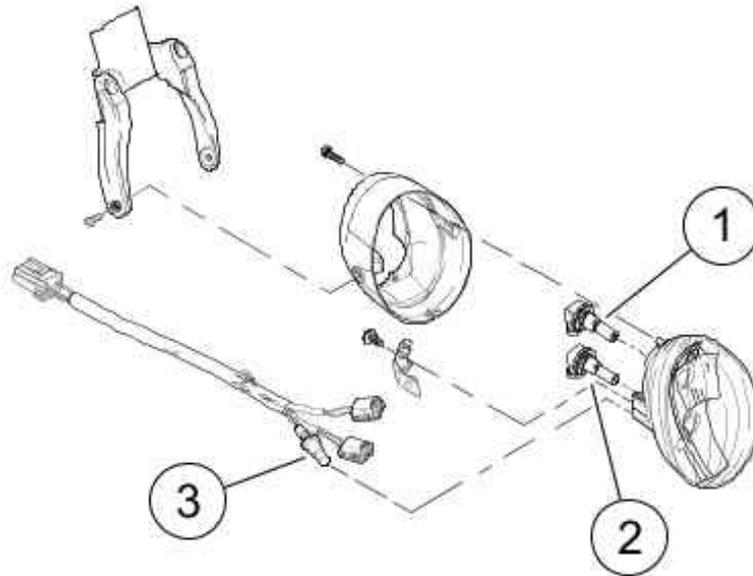
1. Insert **new** headlamp bulb into the housing and align tabs on the bulb with the slots in the housing.
2. Twist the bulb clockwise approximately 45 degrees until it stops.
3. Install the connector to the headlamp bulb.
4. Install the main fuse.

⚠ 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)

5. Turn ignition on and check for proper operation.
6. Align the headlamp if necessary. See Headlamp Alignment.

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1. Bulb (low beam)
2. Bulb (high beam)
3. Position bulb (international only)

Headlamp Assembly: VRSCF

Headlamp Bulb Replacement: VRSCDX

Bulb 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)

1. Remove the main fuse. See Fuses and Relays.
2. See Headlamp Alignment Fastener: VRSCDX Models. Loosen the headlamp alignment fastener and allow headlamp assembly to drop slightly forward.
3. See Headlamp Assembly: VRSCDX. Remove screws with washers from headlamp bucket retainer. Remove retainer and nacelle from headlamp.
4. Remove trim ring hardware. Remove trim ring.
5. Squeeze the release latches to remove the connector from the headlamp bulb.
6. Remove the rubber boot from the back of the housing.
7. See Wire Retaining Clip. Push down the wireform loop to release it from the retainer.

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Swing wireform out of the way.

⚠ WARNING

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

8. Remove and discard bulb.

Bulb Installation

CAUTION

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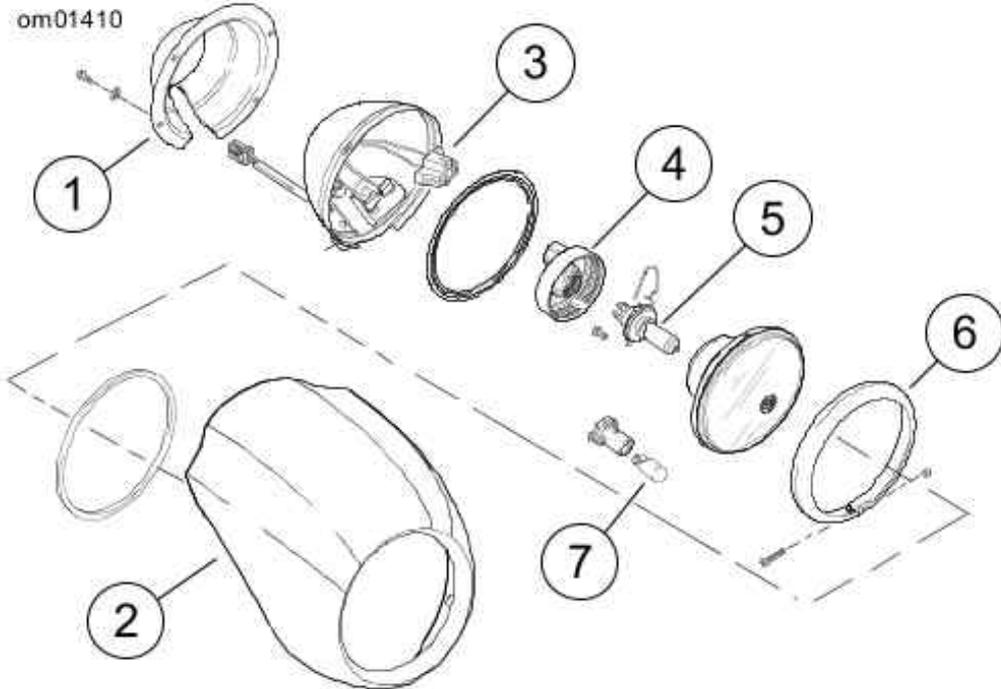
1. Install new bulb. Align the tab on the bulb with the notch in the headlamp housing.
2. See Wire Retaining Clip. Rotate wireform into place and latch under lip of retainer.
3. See Headlamp Assembly: VRSCDX. Install rubber boot at back of housing.
4. Install connector to headlamp bulb.
5. Install trim ring and hardware.
6. Install nacelle and headlamp bucket retainer. Install screws with washers and tighten to 30-50 in-lbs (3.4-5.6 Nm).
7. Install the 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)

8. Turn ignition on and check for proper operation.
9. Align headlamp. See Headlamp Alignment.

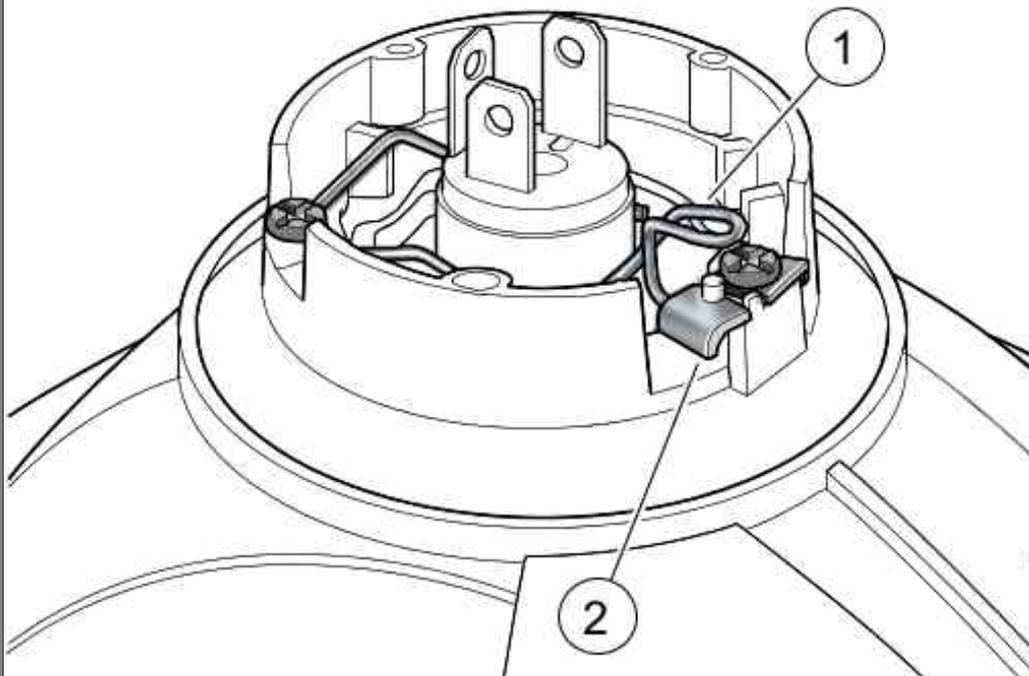
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1. Headlamp bucket retainer
2. Nacelle
3. Connector
4. Boot
5. Bulb
6. Trim ring
7. Position bulb (international only)

Headlamp Assembly: VRSCDX

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1. Wire retaining clip
2. Retainer

Wire Retaining Clip

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: VRSC 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.

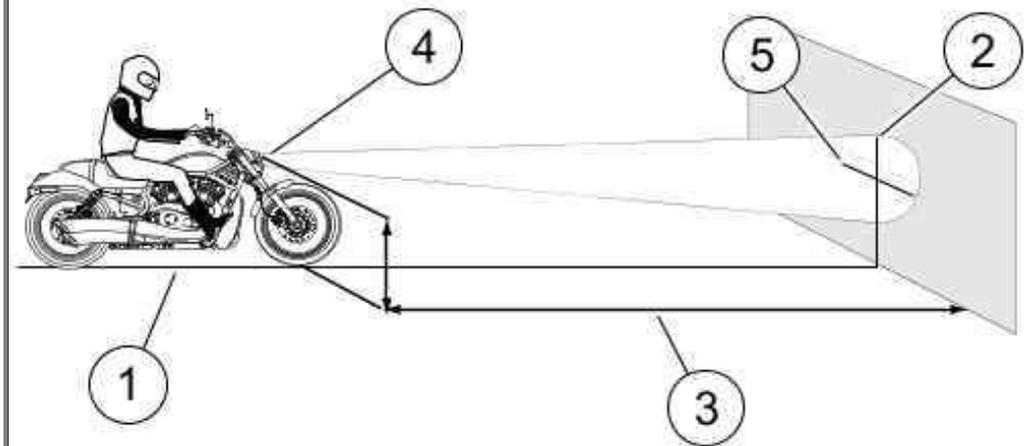
3. Draw a vertical line (2) on the wall.
4. Position motorcycle so that front axle is 25 ft 7.6 m from wall.

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.

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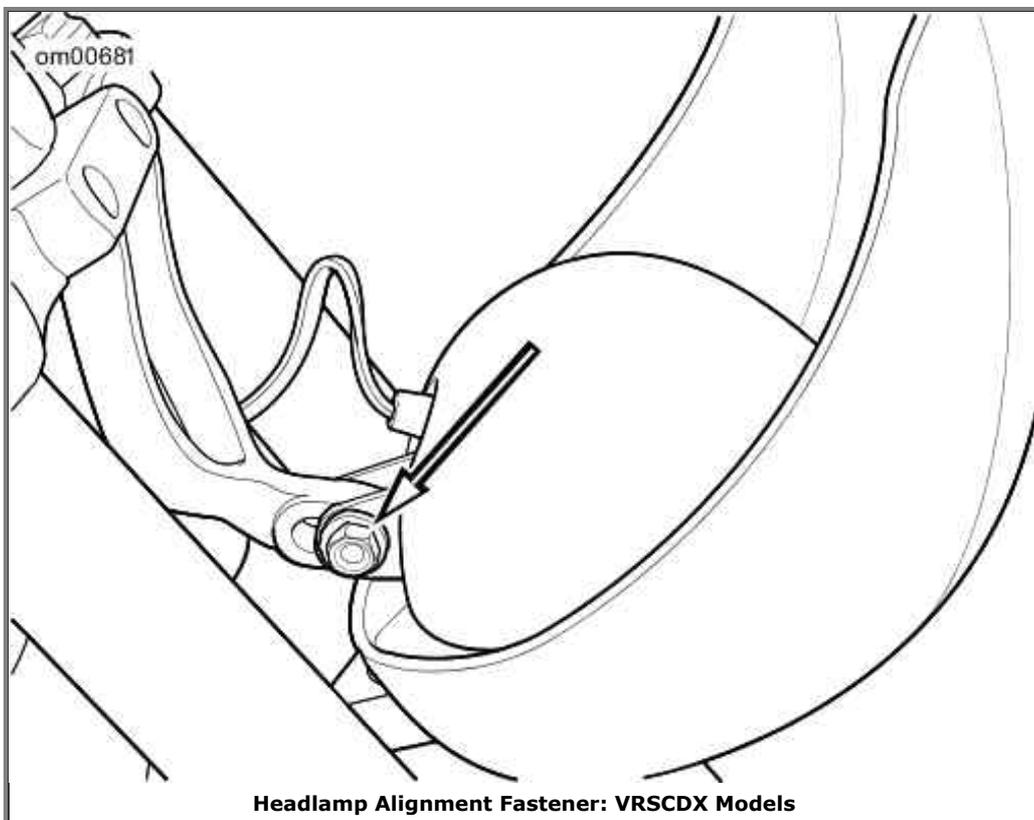
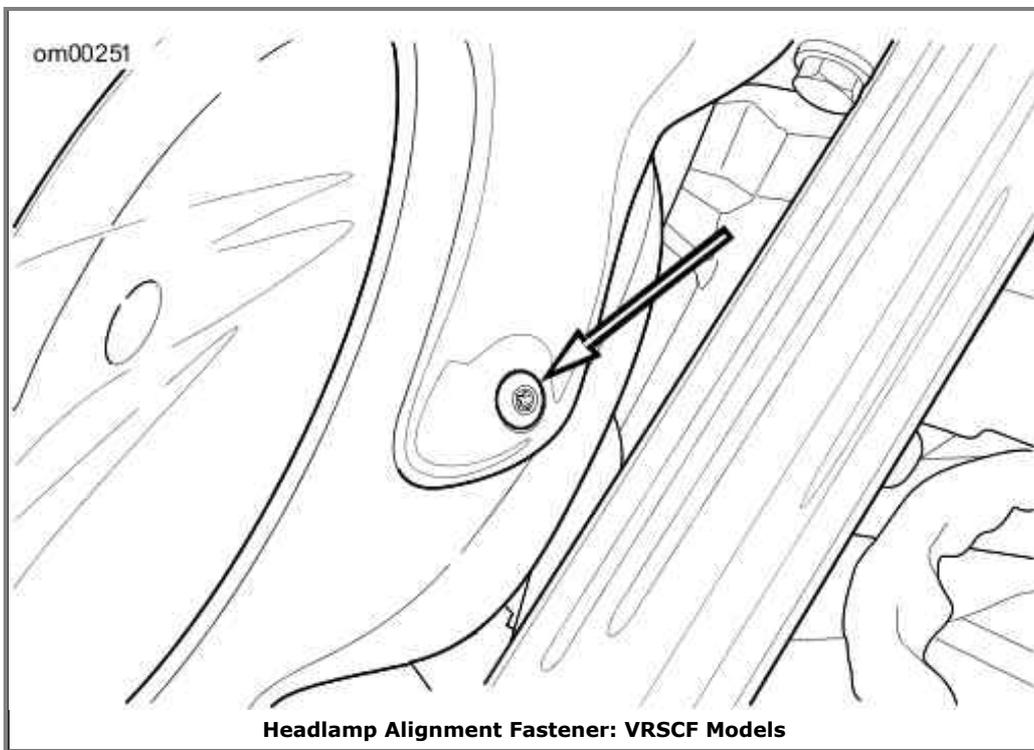


1. Perpendicular line
2. Vertical line
3. 7.6 meters (25 feet)
4. High beam bulb centerline
5. Horizontal line 53.3 mm (2.1 in.) lower than bulb centerline

Headlamp Alignment: VRSC Models

Headlamp Adjustment

1. See Headlamp Alignment Fastener: VRSCF Models (VRSCF) or Headlamp Alignment Fastener: VRSCDX Models (VRSCDX). Loosen fasteners slightly so headlamp is still snug.
2. Move headlamp assembly to adjust vertical alignment.
3. Tighten fasteners. For VRSCF models, tighten to 40-66 in-lbs (4.5-7.5 Nm). For VRSCDX model, tighten to 23-30 ft-lbs (31-41 Nm).



Tail Lamp and Turn Signals: VRSCF Model

The front turn signals and tail lamp (with integrated rear turn signals) are LED assemblies with no replaceable bulbs. See a Harley-Davidson dealer or service manual for assembly replacement.

For proper alignment of front turn signals, see Mirrors: VRSCF Model.

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.

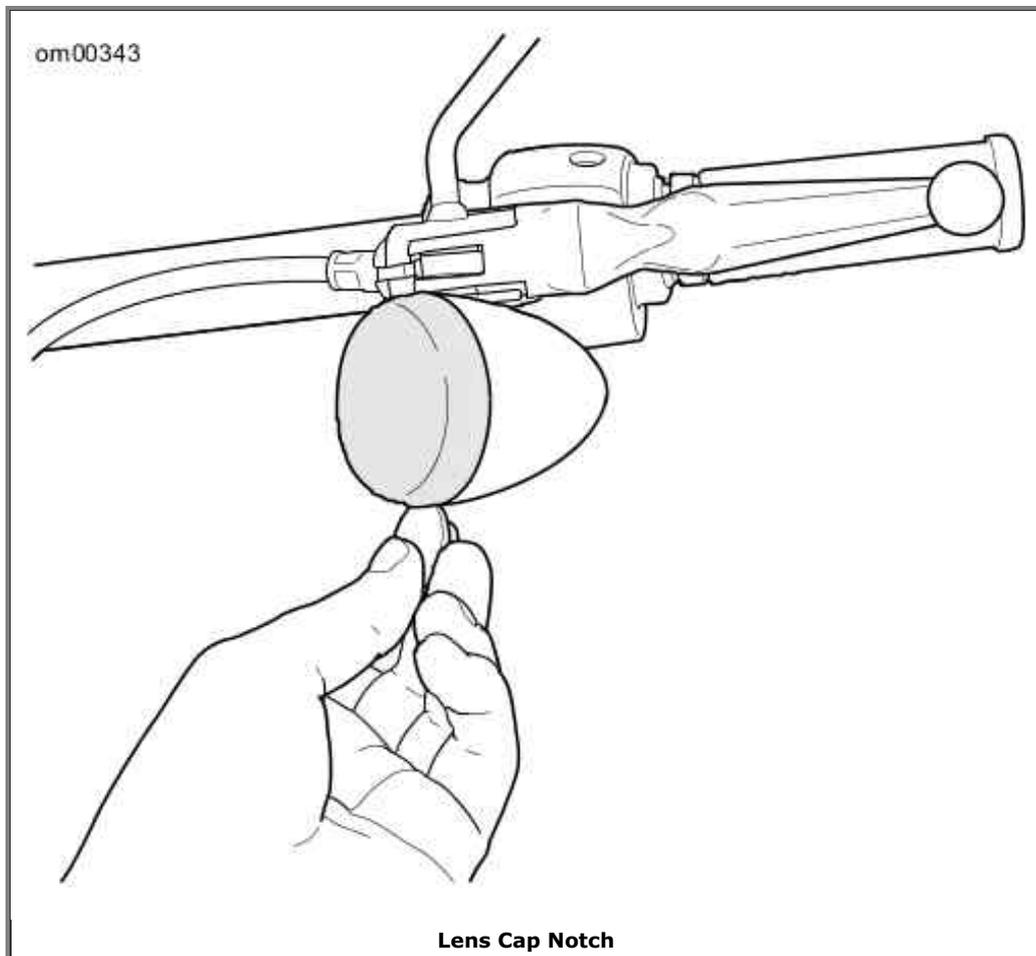
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2. Push bulb in and rotate counterclockwise. Pull bulb from socket.
3. Inspect condition of electrical contacts in socket. If necessary, clean with a small wire brush and electrical contact cleaner.
4. Coat base of **new** bulb with ELECTRICAL CONTACT 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: VRSCDX Models

1. See Releasing Tail Lamp Retaining Clip (typical). Insert a small screwdriver into middle hole of license plate lamp cover. Push forward with screwdriver to release tail lamp housing retaining clip.
2. Lift rear of tail lamp housing up and slide housing assembly away from fender.

3. See Tail Lamp Assembly: VRSCDX Models. Turn bulb socket assembly clockwise and pull outward from tail lamp housing.
4. Remove bulb by turning counterclockwise and pulling from bulb socket assembly.
5. Coat base of **new** bulb with ELECTRICAL CONTACT LUBRICANT (Part No. 99861-02).
6. Push **new** bulb into bulb socket assembly and turn clockwise.
7. Insert bulb socket assembly into tail lamp housing and turn counterclockwise to lock in place.
8. Route all electrical connectors and wiring harnesses to either side of tail lamp opening in fender, away from tail lamp bulb housing.

NOTE:

When installing tail lamp assembly, make sure tail lamp bulb is pointing toward rear of vehicle.

9. Insert tabs on front of tail lamp housing under forward edge of fender opening.
10. Carefully push tail lamp assembly toward front of vehicle.
11. Engage retaining clip with rear edge of fender opening. Gently press down on tail lamp assembly until clip locks in place.

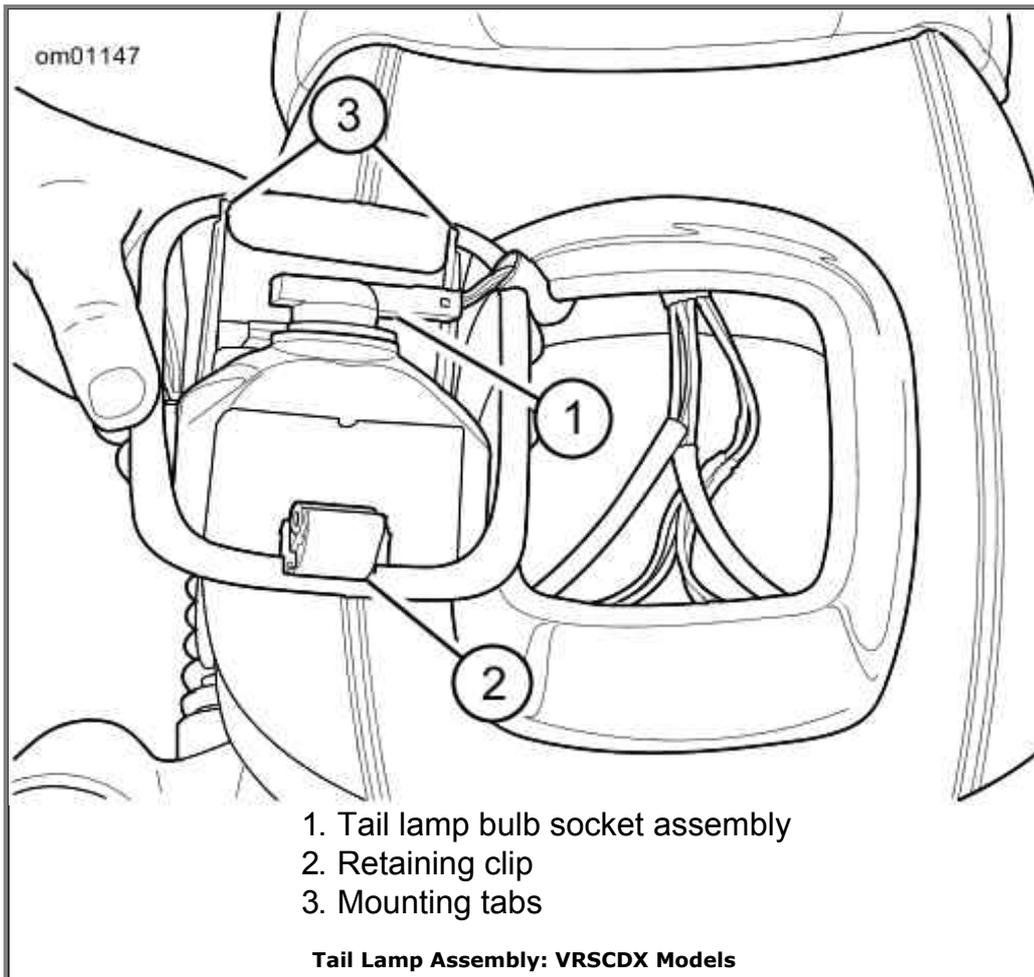
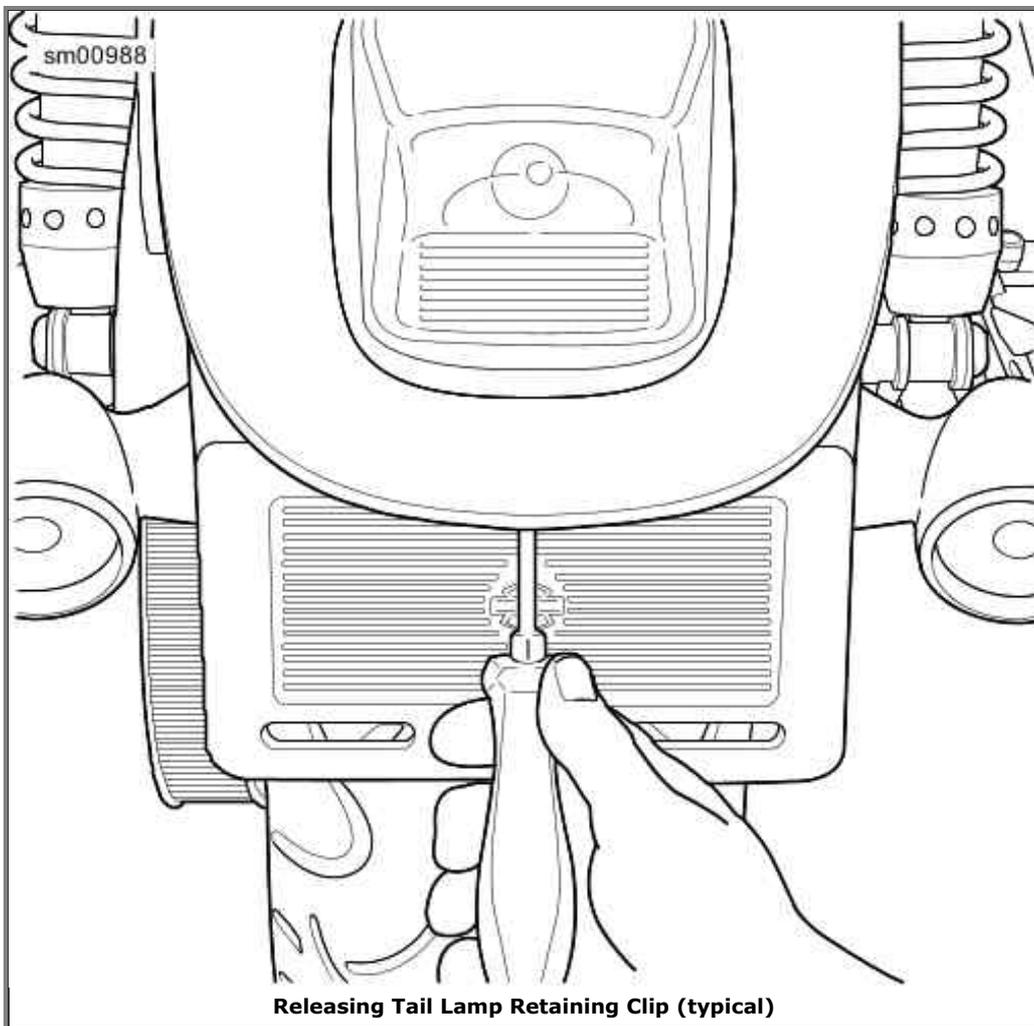
NOTE:

Retaining clip must engage rear fender opening for tail lamp to remain locked into position in rear fender.

⚠ 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)

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



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.*

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

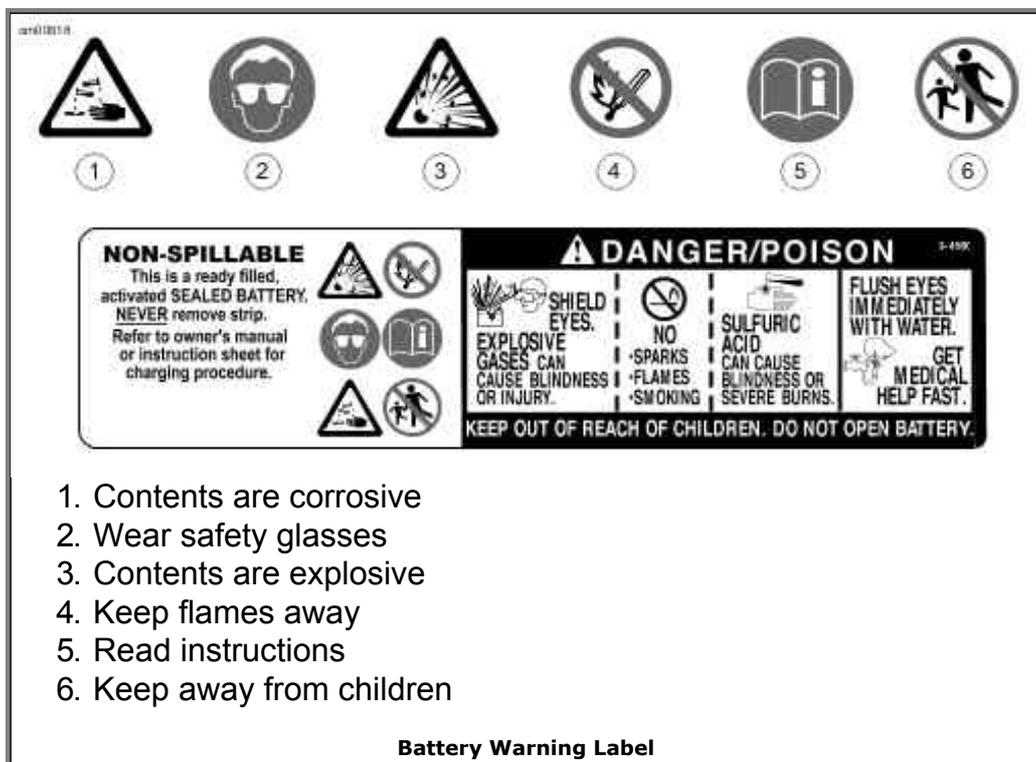
Explosive hydrogen gas, which escapes during charging, could cause death or serious injury. Charge battery in a well-ventilated area. Keep open flames, electrical sparks and smoking materials away from battery at all times. **KEEP BATTERIES AWAY FROM CHILDREN.** (00065a)

⚠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)

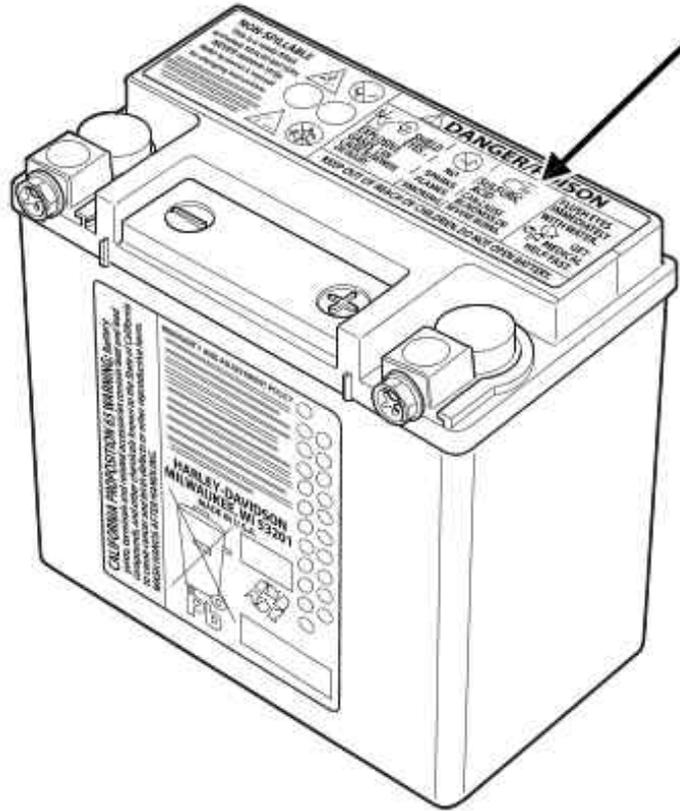


The image shows a detailed battery warning label. At the top, there are six numbered icons: 1. Corrosive (spilling liquid), 2. Safety glasses, 3. Explosive (flaming gas), 4. No open flames, 5. Read instructions (open book), 6. No children (adult and child). Below these icons is a large rectangular label with a black background and white text. The label is divided into sections: 'NON-SPILLABLE' with instructions to never remove the strip and refer to the manual; 'DANGER/POISON' with a warning symbol; 'SHIELD EYES' with a warning symbol; 'EXPLOSIVE GASES CAN CAUSE BLINDNESS OR INJURY' with a warning symbol; 'NO SPARKS, FLAMES, SMOKING' with a warning symbol; 'SULFURIC ACID CAN CAUSE BLINDNESS OR SEVERE BURNS' with a warning symbol; and 'FLUSH EYES IMMEDIATELY WITH WATER. GET MEDICAL HELP FAST.' with a warning symbol. At the bottom of the label, it says 'KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. DO NOT OPEN BATTERY.' Below the label, there is a list of six numbered items corresponding to the icons above.

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

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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

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 19 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.

19 Amp-Hour Battery Charging Rates/Times (Approximate)

READING (VOLTS)	PERCENT OF CHARGE	5 AMP CHARGER	2 AMP CHARGER	1.5 AMP CHARGER	0.75 AMP CHARGER
12.7	100	-	-	-	-
12.6	75	2 hours	3 hours 24 minutes	4 hours 12 minutes	7 hours 18 minutes
12.3	50	2 hours 54 minutes	5 hours 48 minutes	7 hours 18 minutes	13 hours 42 minutes
12.0	25	3 hours 54 minutes	8 hours 6 minutes	10 hours 30 minutes	20 hours
11.8	0	4 hours 48 minutes	10 hours 30 minutes	13 hours 42 minutes	26 hours 18 minutes

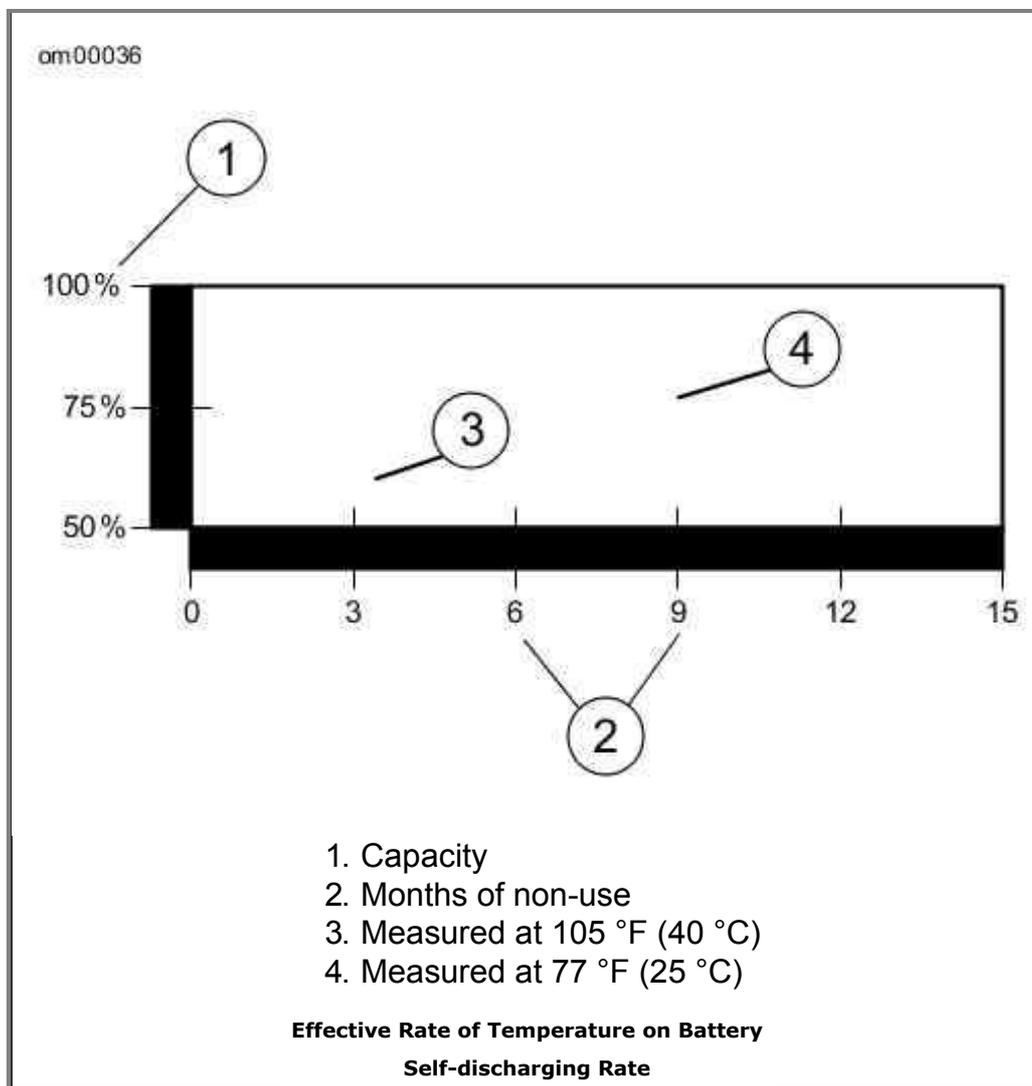
Storage

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.



Battery

Disconnection and Removal

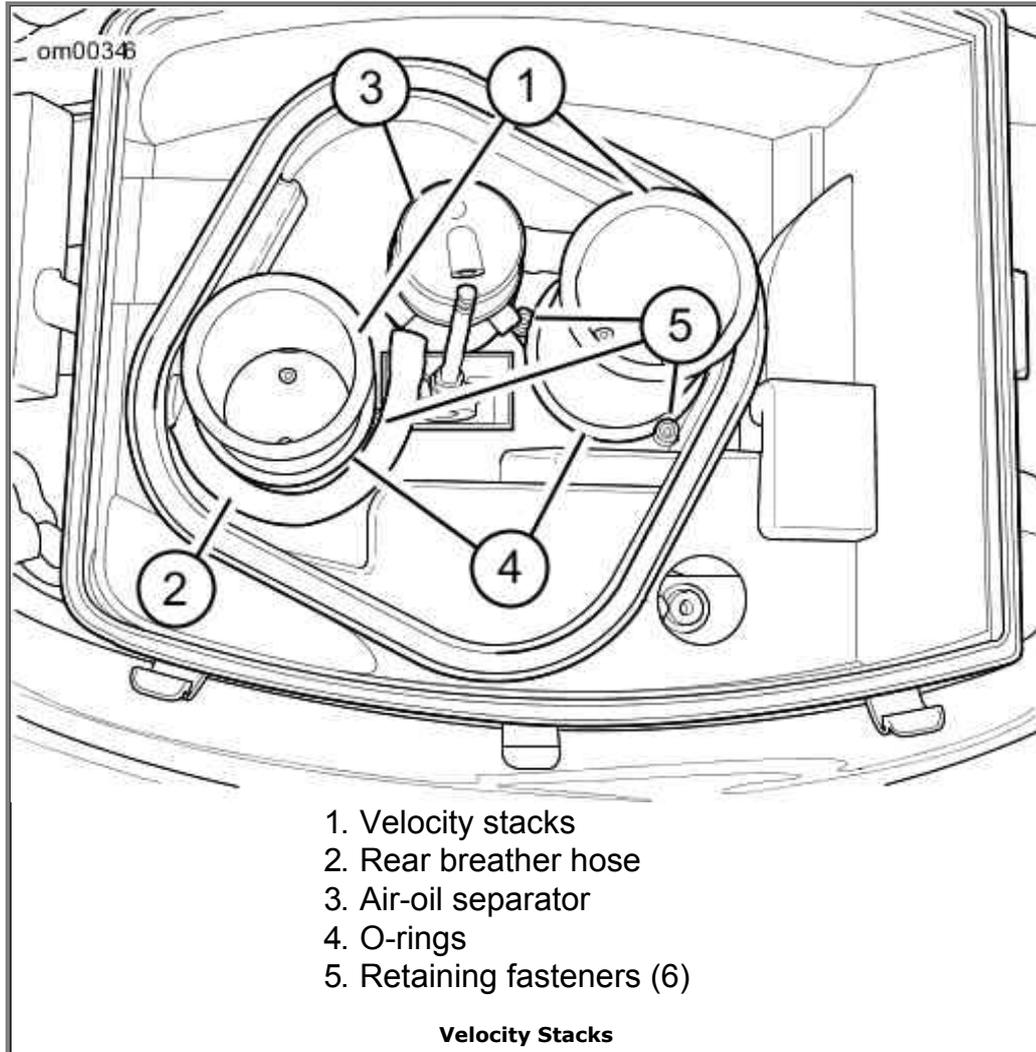
Before you can inspect or disconnect the battery you must read the section containing information about air cleaner removal.

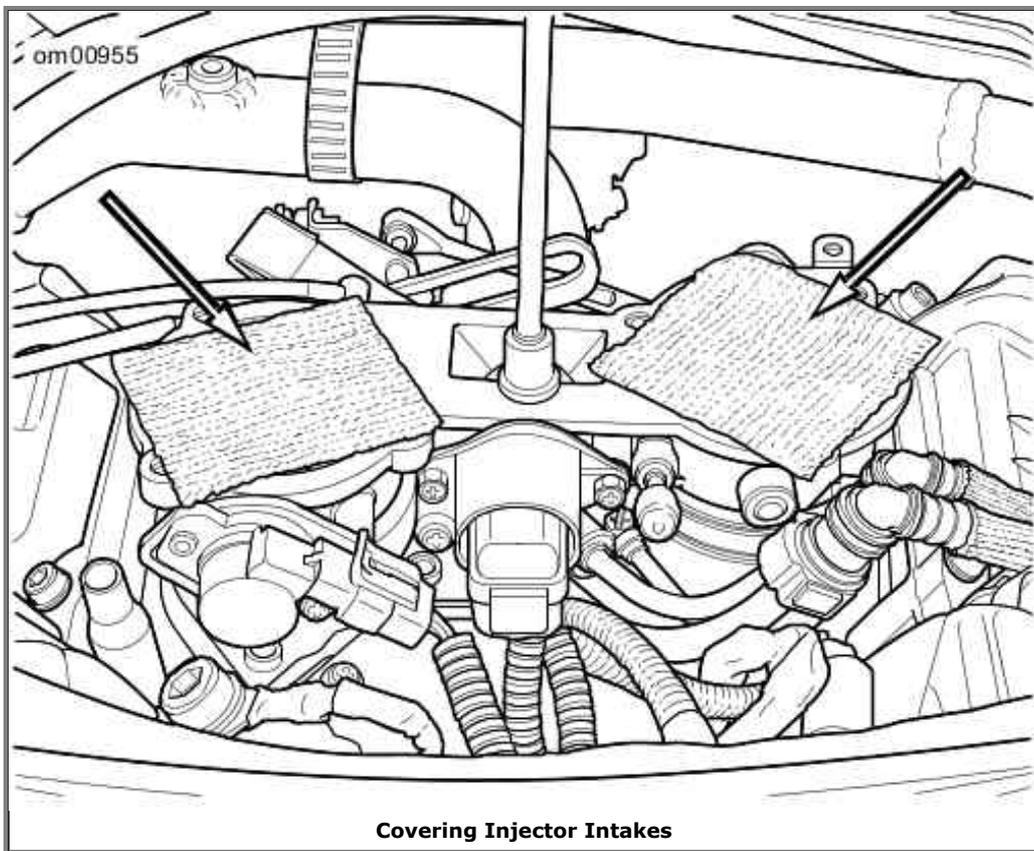
1. If equipped with security system siren, turn the ignition switch ON with the hands-free fob present to disarm the security system.
2. Remove the main fuse. See Fuses and Relays.
3. Remove the air cleaner. See Air Cleaner.
4. See Velocity Stacks. Disconnect rear breather hose (2).
5. Slide the o-ring (4) up each velocity stack (1) body to reveal the three retaining fasteners (5). Unscrew the fasteners and lift off the velocity stacks.
6. Carefully lift up the airbox bottom tray. The front has a grommet which is pressed on to a brass bullet. The rear has a breather hose which was disconnected in a previous step. Disengage the front grommet and slide the rear breather hose out through the hole in the rear of the airbox tray.

CAUTION

Cover the throttle body bores with duct tape to prevent objects from falling down the injector bores. Do NOT use shop cloths or objects that could damage the throttle plates. (00212d)

7. See Covering Injector Intakes. Cover injector intakes.

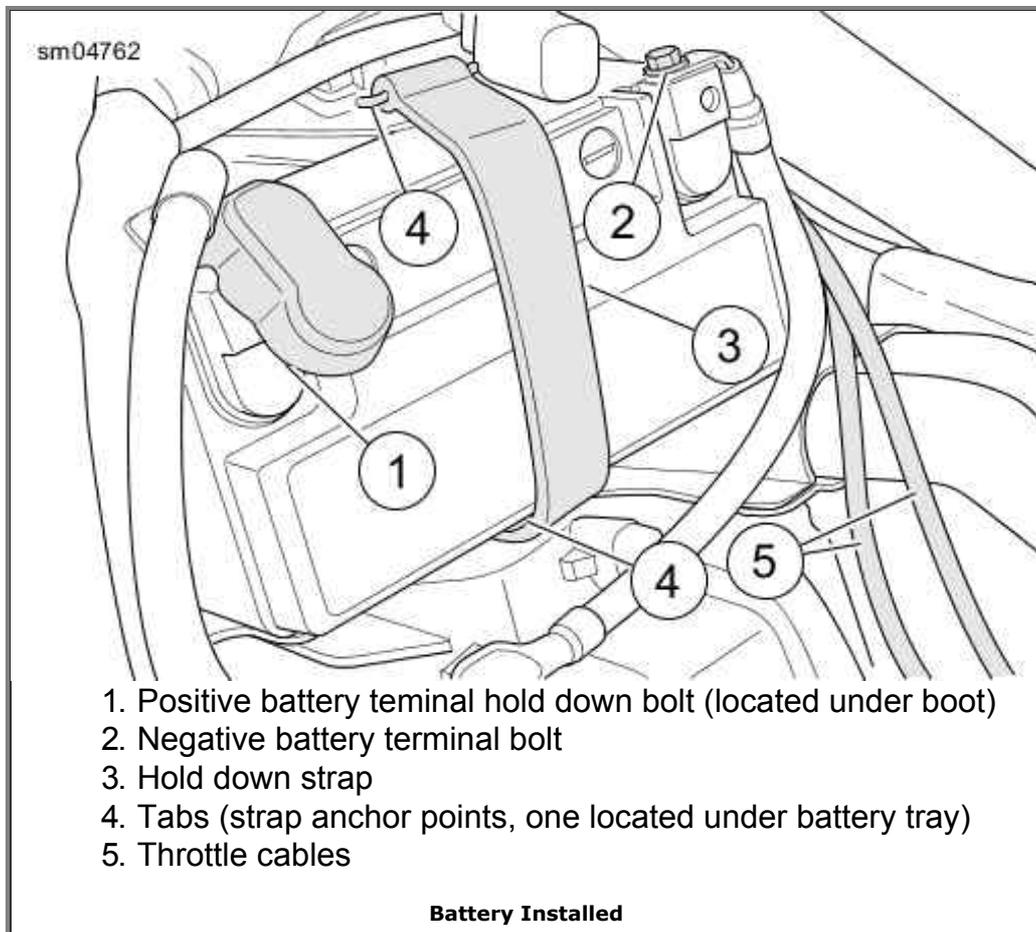




⚠WARNING

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)

8. See Battery Installed. Remove the battery negative cable from the negative (-) terminal of the battery.
9. Remove the battery positive cable from the positive (+) terminal of the battery.
10. Stretch battery hold down strap and remove from tab to release tension on strap. Battery hold down strap will become free from lower tab and can be completely removed.
11. Firmly pull battery out and slightly upward to remove battery from battery caddy.



Installation and Connection

1. Connect hold down strap to bottom of battery caddy.
2. See Battery Installed. Slide the fully charged battery into battery caddy, terminal side up, negative (-) battery terminal toward the right side of the motorcycle.

NOTES:

Battery must sit flat on bottom of tray pad. Verify that battery does not sit on front edge of pad.

3. See Battery Installed. Verify proper routing of throttle cable.
4. Stretch hold down strap over top of battery. Latch hold down strap to tab on top of battery.

⚠WARNING

Never route throttle cable over the battery. Fire due to short circuit could occur and cause death or serious injury. (00494c)

CAUTION

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

⚠ 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)

CAUTION

Do not over-tighten bolts on battery terminals. Use recommended torque values. Over-tightening battery terminal bolts could result in damage to battery terminals. (00216a)

5. Insert a battery terminal bolt through the battery positive cable (+) (red), into the threaded hole of the battery positive (+) terminal.
6. Tighten the bolt to 60-70 in-lbs (6.8-7.9 Nm).
7. Insert the other battery terminal bolt through the battery negative cable (black), into the threaded hole of the battery negative (-) terminal.
8. Tighten the bolt to 60-70 in-lbs (6.8-7.9 Nm).

CAUTION

Keep battery clean and lightly coat terminals with petroleum jelly to prevent corrosion. Failure to do so could result in damage to battery terminals. (00217a)

9. Apply a light coat of petroleum jelly or corrosion retardant material to both battery terminals.
10. Remove the covering from the injector intakes.
11. See Air Cleaner Gasket and Alignment Pins. Inspect the gasket on the bottom of the airbox tray. The gasket is located by the three alignment pins on the mating surface.

NOTE:

Replace the gasket if it is torn or damaged in any way.

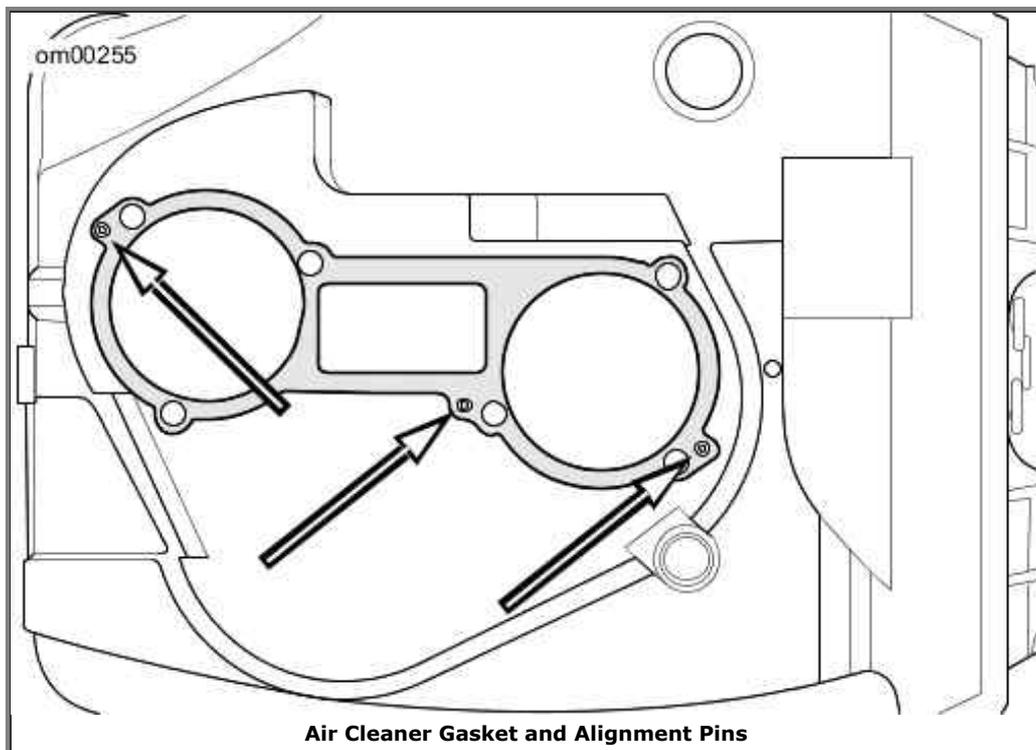
12. Place the airbox tray over the injectors. Make sure the taller slanted lip of the tray faces the front of the motorcycle. Slide the rectangular hole in the tray down over the threaded mounting stud.

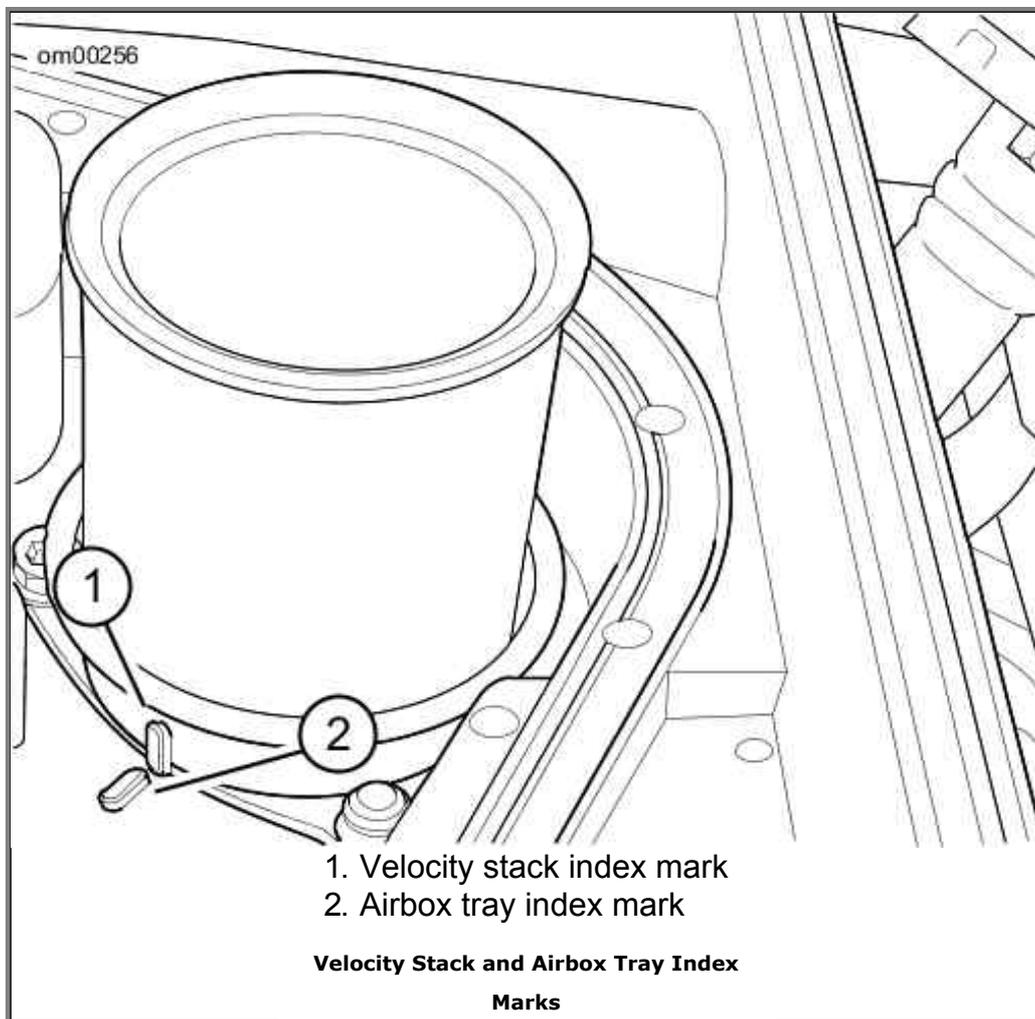
13. See Velocity Stacks. Insert rear breather hose through hole in rear of tray. Pull until hose seals properly.
14. Align the front grommet on the airbox tray with the brass bullet and press the airbox tray down firmly. Make sure the tray sits flush on top of the injectors.

NOTE:

In the next step, you will install the velocity stacks. Each velocity stack has an index mark. Align the index mark on the velocity stack with the corresponding index mark on the airbox tray.

15. See Air Cleaner Gasket and Alignment Pins. Align the index marks and install the velocity stacks, the longest stack toward the front of the motorcycle. Start all fasteners by hand first, making sure none are cross-threaded. Tighten the three fasteners on each velocity stack to 53 in-lbs (6 Nm).
16. Slide the o-ring down each velocity stack until it contacts the three fasteners. Slide the breather hose onto the rear breather hose fitting.
17. Install the air filter element, air cleaner cap, wing nut, airbox top, electrical connector on airbox, and airbox cover. Lower the seat down.
18. Install the main fuse. See Fuses and Relays.





Jump Starting

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

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

⚠WARNING

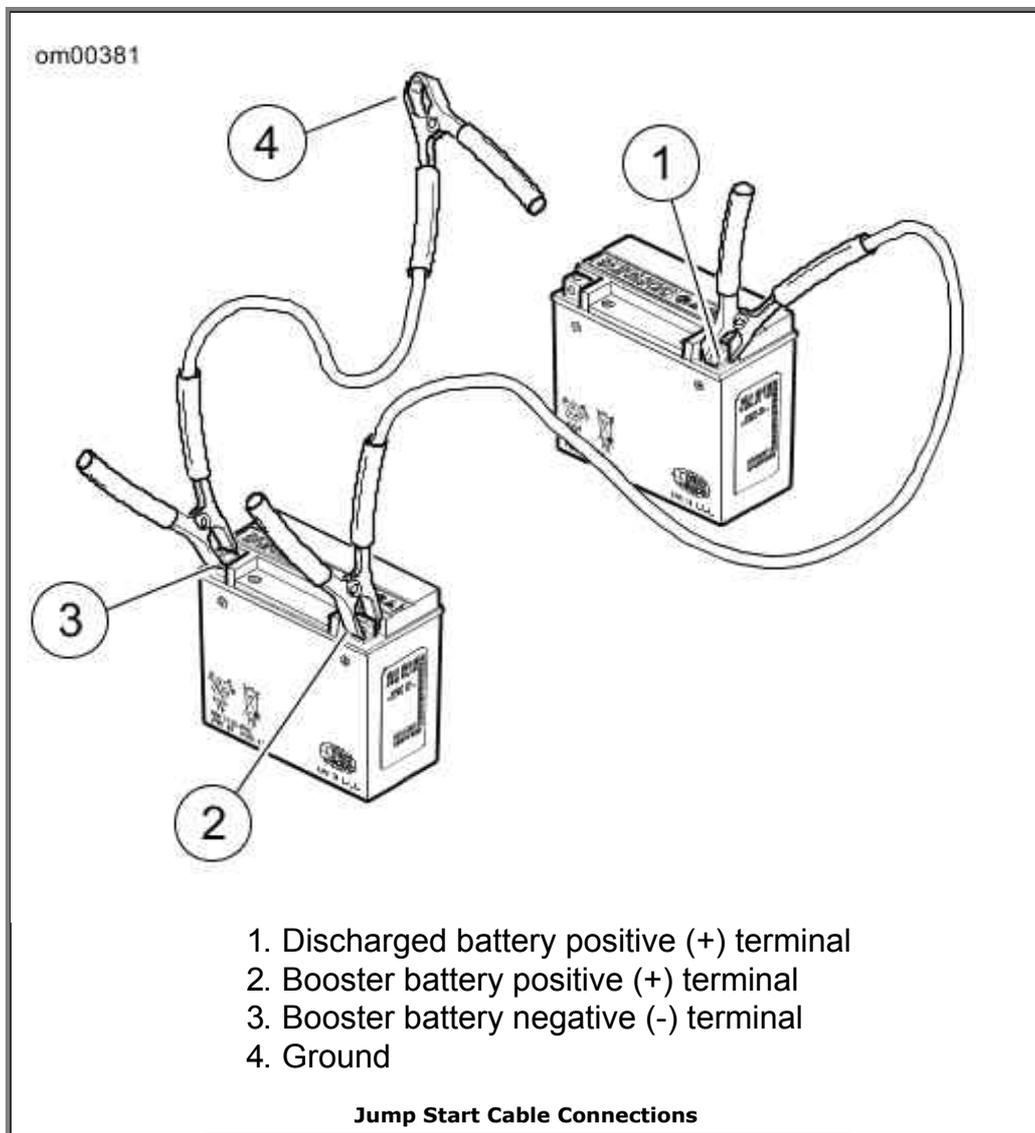
Do not connect negative (-) cable to or near the discharged battery negative (-) terminal. Doing so could cause a spark and explosion, which could result in death or serious injury. (00073a)

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

VRSC models have a rear fuse block under the seat and a front fuse block behind the steering head under the right side cover.

For electrical problems, it is best to see a Harley-Davidson dealer who has the necessary parts and equipment to perform electrical services.

Fuses do not reset. A blown fuse must be replaced with a fuse of the same rating.

NOTE:

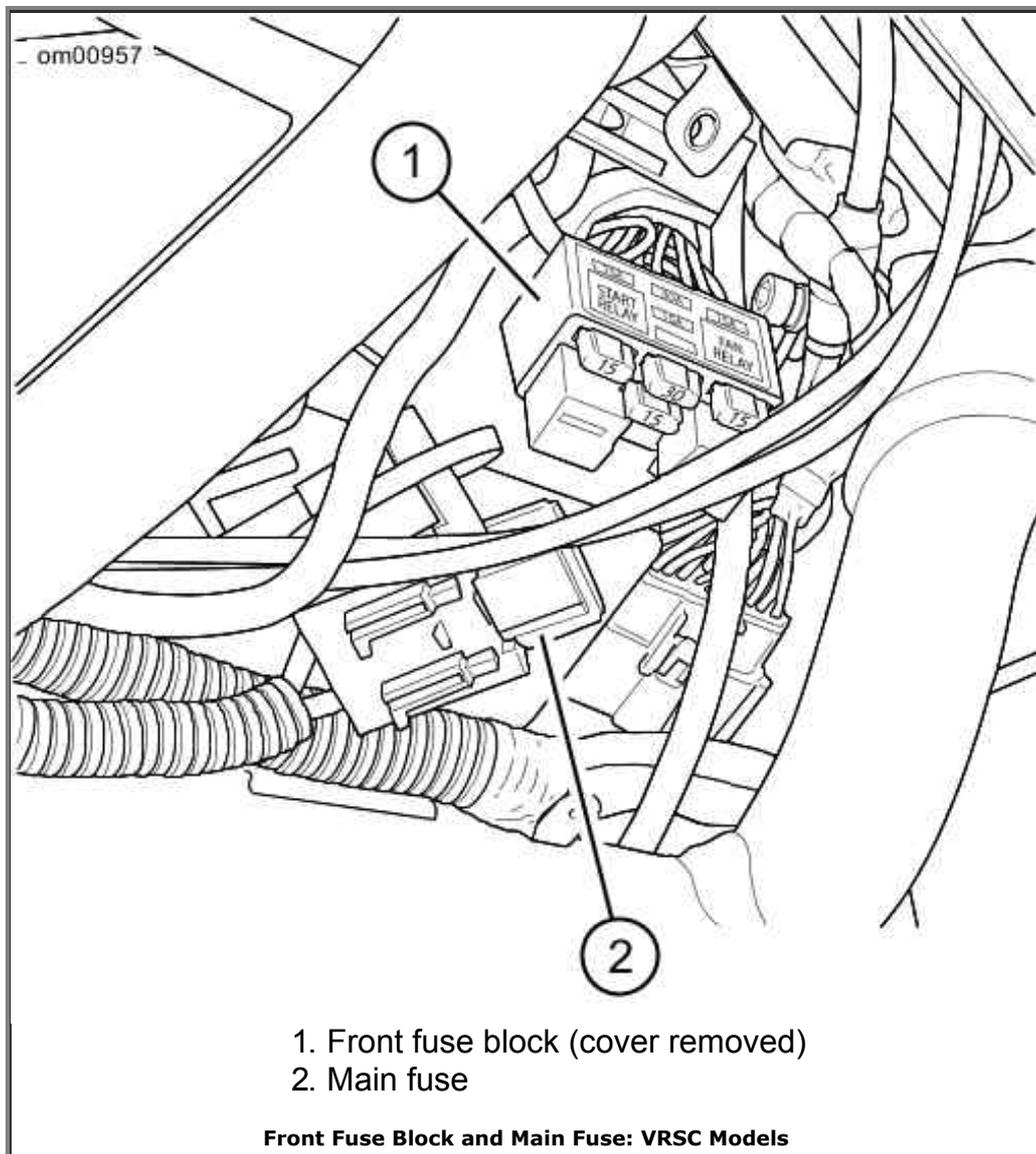
Use only automotive type ATO fuses as replacements.

Front Fuse Block

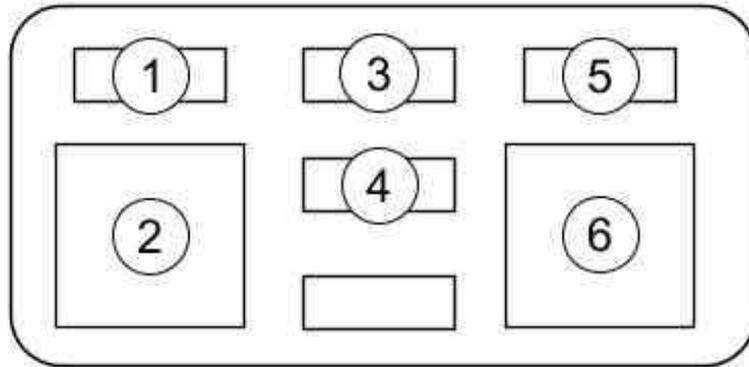
1. Make sure the ignition is turned OFF.
2. Remove the front right side cover.
 - a. For VRSCF model, see Front Side Covers: VRSCF Model.
 - b. For other models, remove the fastener from the front right side cover and carefully lift

the side cover off the mounting tabs.

3. See Front Fuse Block and Main Fuse: VRSC Models. The front fuse block is mounted on the top right side of the battery box. Pull the tabs out from the sides of the fuse block cover. Remove cover.
4. See Front Fuse Block: VRSC Models. Remove the suspect fuse and inspect the element. Replace the fuse if the element is burned or separated.
5. Install the fuse block cover. Carefully press the cover until tabs snap into place.
6. Install the right front side cover.
 - a. For VRSCF model, see Front Side Covers: VRSCF Model.
 - b. For other models, install front side cover on the mounting tabs. Line up the hole on the cover with the threaded hole in the frame tab and install the fastener. Tighten the fastener to 36.3-60.2 in-lbs (4.1-6.8 Nm).



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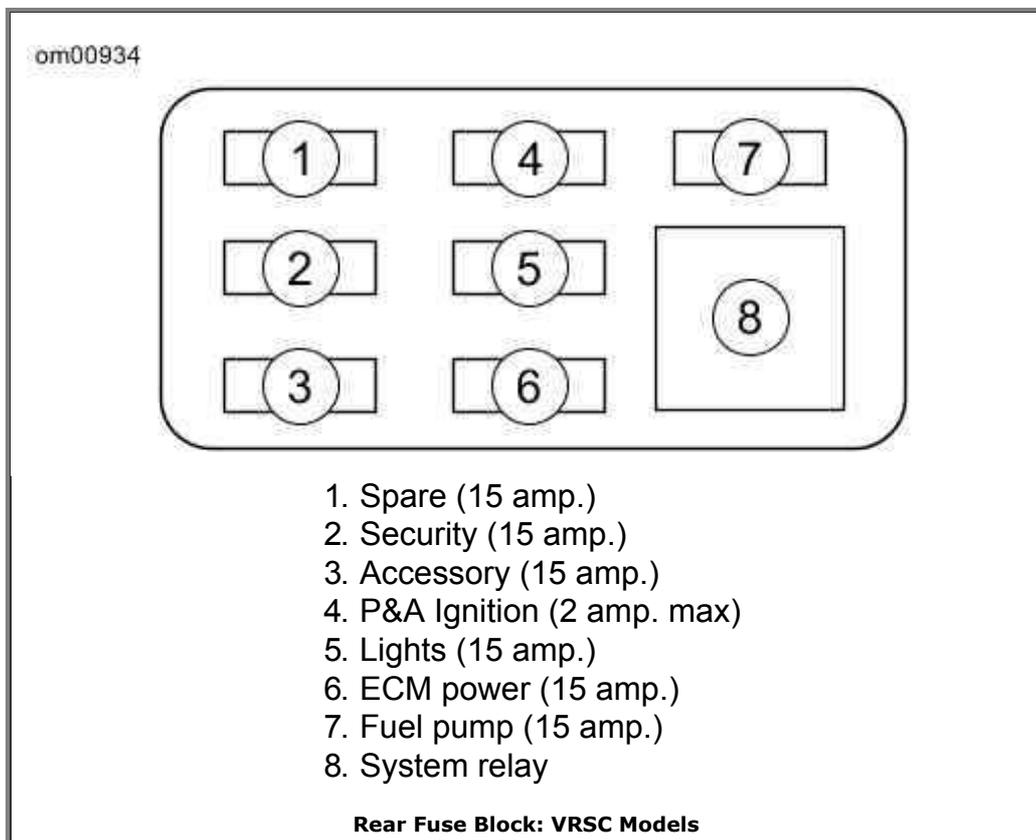
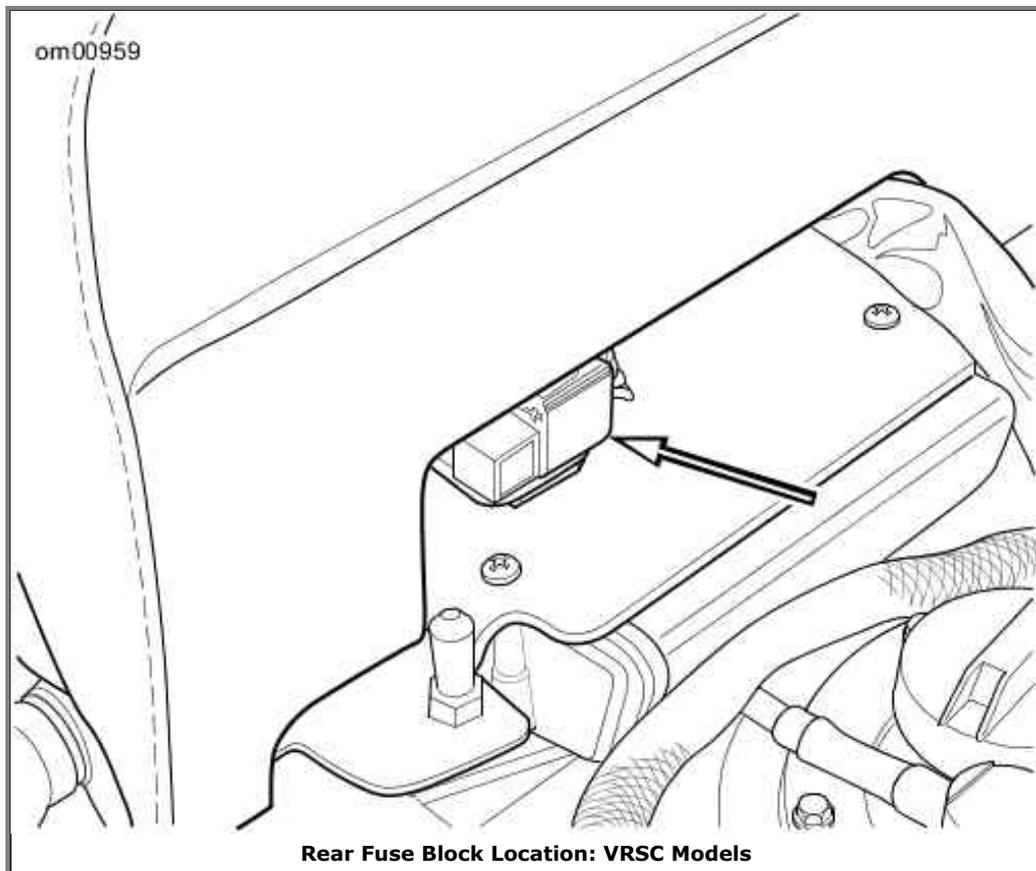


1. Spare (15 amp.)
2. Start relay
3. ABS fuse (ABS-equipped models only, 30 amp.)
4. Battery (15 amp.)
5. Ignition (15 amp.)
6. Fan relay

Front Fuse Block: VRSC Models

Rear Fuse Block

1. Make sure the ignition is turned OFF.
2. Open the seat.
3. See Rear Fuse Block Location: VRSC Models. The rear fuse block is located on frame crossmember behind fuel filler cap. Slide the fuse block to the left side of vehicle to remove from mount.
4. See Rear Fuse Block: VRSC Models. Remove the suspect fuse and inspect the element. Replace the fuse if the element is burned or separated.
5. Slide fuse block onto the mount. Close the seat.



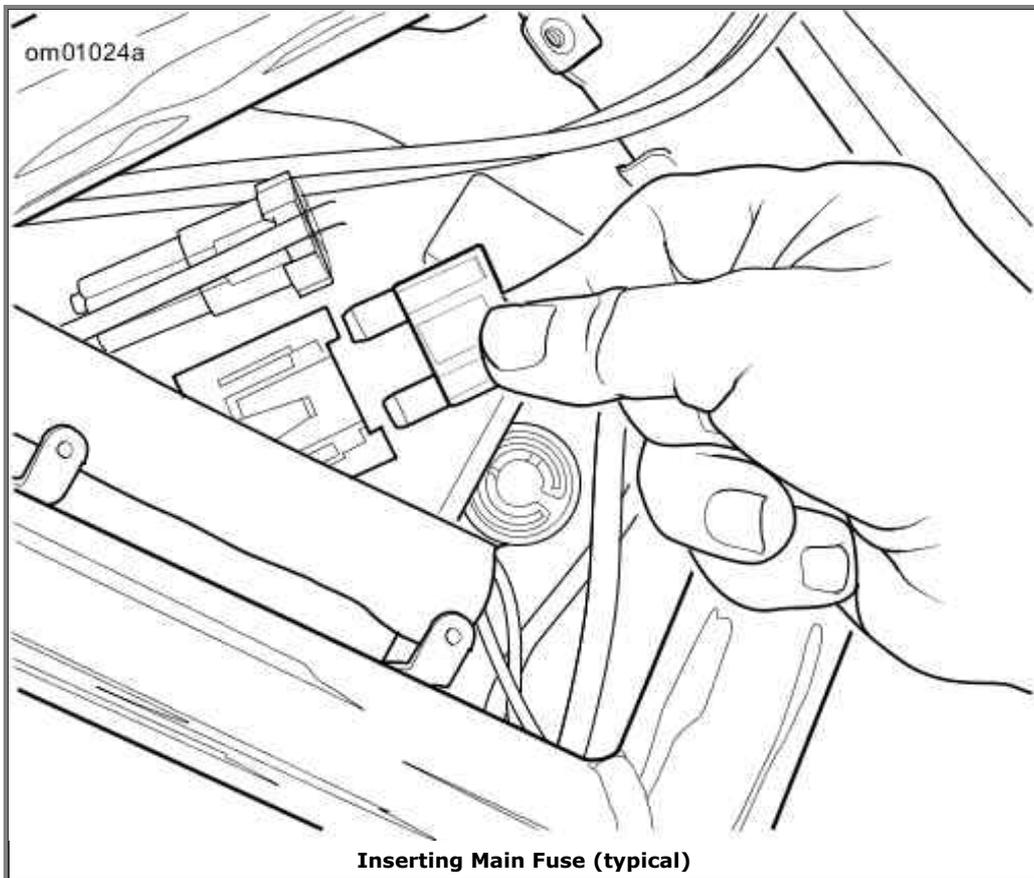
Main Fuse

All VRSC models have a main fuse to protect the motorcycle wiring. This 40-amp main fuse provides main battery power to the motorcycle. It is located in a rubber-coated fuse holder behind the motorcycle's right side cover.

1. Remove the front right side cover.

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- a. For VRSCF model, see Front Side Covers: VRSCF Model.
 - b. For other models, remove the fastener from the front right side cover and carefully lift the side cover off the mounting tabs.
2. If equipped with security system siren, turn the ignition switch ON with the hands-free fob present to disarm the security system.
 3. Grasp the fuse holder in one hand, the plastic body of the main fuse in the other, and pull the main fuse straight out of the fuse holder.
 4. Insert the prongs of the **new** main fuse in the fuse holder slots. Push the main fuse firmly down into the fuse holder.
 5. Install the right front side cover.
 - a. For VRSCF model, see Front Side Covers: VRSCF Model.
 - b. For other models, install front side cover on the mounting tabs. Line up the hole on the cover with the threaded hole in the frame tab and install the fastener. Tighten the fastener to 36.3-60.2 in-lbs (4.1-6.8 Nm).



Seat

Opening

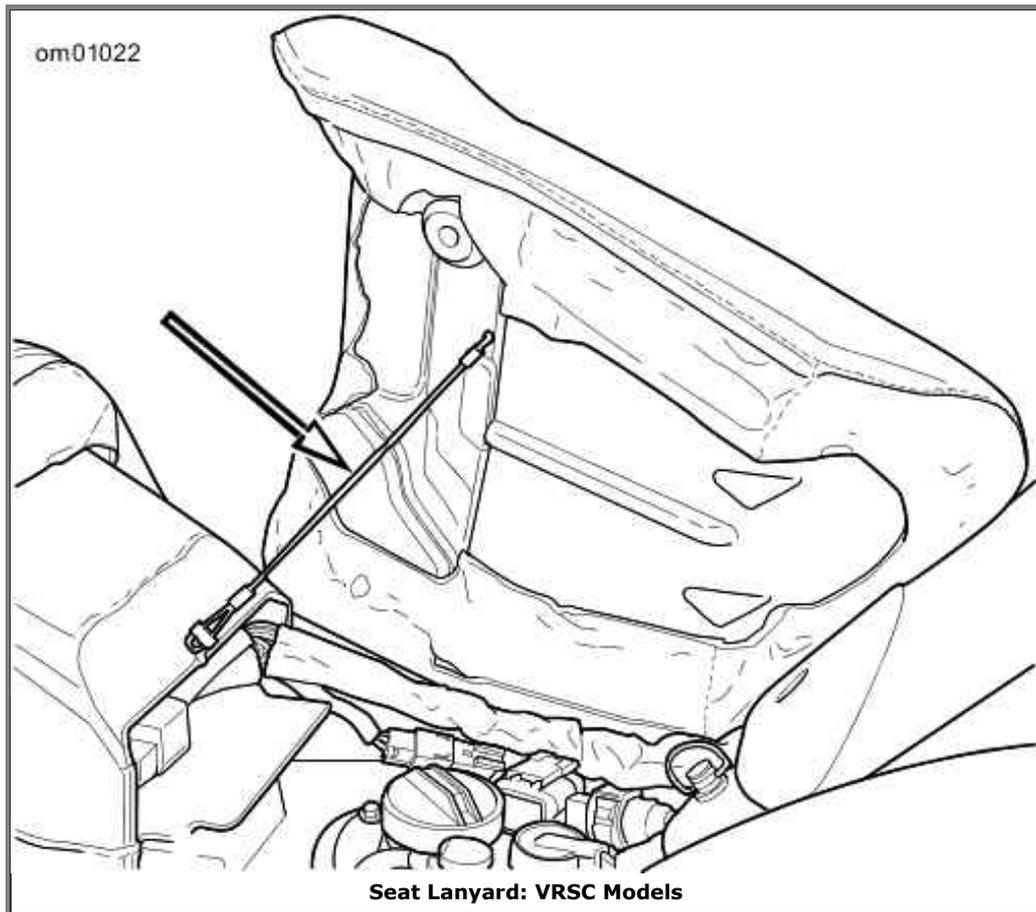
Seat is hinged on the left side. Grasp lower edge of right side and lift.

NOTE:

See *Seat Lanyard: VRSC Models*. The lanyard will hold the seat in position on the motorcycle frame.

Closing

Rotate seat down to close seat.



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
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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)

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. Adjust the belt.
4. Check tire inflation. Adjust to proper inflation pressure.
5. 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)

6. If the motorcycle is to be stored with security system armed, it will be necessary to connect a Battery Tender to maintain battery charge. If security system will not be armed and a Battery Tender is not available, remove the Maxi-fuse.

CAUTION

Use only Genuine Harley-Davidson Extended Life Antifreeze and Coolant. Use of other coolants/mixtures may lead to engine damage. (00179b)

7. Check and fill the cooling system.
8. To protect the vehicle's body panels, engine, chassis and wheels from corrosion, follow the cosmetic care procedures described in the Accessory Maintenance section of this owner's manual prior to storage.
9. 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.

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. (00075a)

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 the oil.
6. Check the clutch fluid 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

Coolant mixture contains toxic chemicals, which may be fatal if swallowed. If swallowed, do not induce vomiting; call a physician immediately. Use in a well ventilated area. Irritation to skin or eyes can occur from vapors or direct contact. In case of skin or eye contact, flush thoroughly with water and go to hospital, if necessary. Dispose of used coolant according to federal, state and local regulations. (00092a)

9. Check the radiator connections and coolant level.

⚠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)

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

12. Check for any fuel, oil, coolant or brake fluid leaks.

Care and Cleaning

Cleaning and General Care

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 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 NUMBER	PURPOSE	FRAME	BODY PANELS	WHEELS	DENIM 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 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	As applicable					

		cleans brushed aluminum or stainless steel surfaces.					
Harley Bright Metal Polish	99725-89	Polishes non-clear coated polished aluminum or polished stainless steel surfaces.	As applicable				
Harley Glaze Polish & Sealant	99701-84	Polishes windshields, painted surfaces and chrome.	Yes	Yes	As applicable	No	
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,	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	

		chrome and aluminum. Rinse completely while surfaces are wet. Do not allow to dry.					
NOVUS 1 Cleaner/Protectant	99837-94T	Cleans windshields, tail lamps and all plastics. Resists fingerprints, fogging, smears and repels dust.	No	No	No	No	Windshield
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.

Radiator

⚠ CAUTION

Cooling fans operate automatically, even when the ignition switch is off. Keep hands away from fan blades. Contact with a rotating fan blade can result in minor or moderate injury. (00093a)

CAUTION

Use of pressure washers to clean radiator and oil cooler can damage cooling fins and reduce airflow. Reduced airflow can lead to overheating, resulting in engine damage and could void your engine warranty. (00056a)

CAUTION

Clean the inlet surface of the radiator regularly. Leaves and other debris can collect on the radiator surface and degrade radiator performance which could lead to engine overheating and engine damage. (00197c)

Washing the Motorcycle

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

NOTES:

- *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

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

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.
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3. Clean wheel with Soft Detailing Pad or Wheel & Spoke Brush. Use Softstrips to clean wheel spokes.
4. Rinse well.

Washing the Motorcycle

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

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

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

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

Denim Finish Care

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

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

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 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

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.*

Tail Lamp: VRSCF

Keep the tail lamp assembly clean and visible. Apply NOVUS 1 CLEANER/PROTECTANT and NOVUS 2 SCRATCH REMOVER products with a Softcloth.

Windshield Care

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

⚠ 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

Starter Does Not Operate or Does Not Turn Engine Over

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. Blown fuse.

Engine Turns Over But Does Not Start

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 coil 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

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

Starts But Runs Irregularly or Misses

1. Spark plugs in bad condition or partially fouled.
2. Spark plug gap too close or too wide.
3. Battery nearly discharged.
4. Damaged wire or loose connection at battery terminals or coils.
5. Intermittent short circuit due to damaged wire insulation.
6. Water or dirt in fuel system, filter or carburetor.
7. Fuel vent system plugged. See dealer.
8. One or more injectors fouled.

A Spark Plug Fouls Repeatedly

1. Incorrect spark plug.

Pre-ignition or Detonation (Knocks or Pings)

1. Incorrect fuel.
2. Incorrect spark plug for the kind of service.

Overheats

1. Insufficient oil supply or oil not circulating.
2. Heavy carbon deposit from lugging engine. See dealer.

Excessive Vibration

1. Rear fork pivot shaft nuts loose. See dealer.
2. Front engine mounting bolts loose. See dealer.
3. Damaged frame. See dealer.
4. Belt badly worn.
5. Wheels and/or tires damaged. See dealer.
6. Vehicle not properly aligned. See dealer.

Cooling System

Overheats

1. Air flow through the radiator is obstructed.
2. The radiator is internally plugged.
3. Insufficient coolant.
4. Cooling fans not operating.
5. Thermostat stuck closed.

Electrical System

Alternator Does Not Charge

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

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

Transmission Shifts Hard

1. Bent shifter rod. See dealer.
2. Transmission shifting mechanism needs adjustment. See dealer.

Transmission Jumps Out of Gear

1. Shifter rod improperly adjusted. See dealer.
2. Shifter forks (inside transmission) improperly adjusted. See dealer.
3. Worn shifter dogs in transmission. See dealer.

Clutch Slips

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

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

Clutch Chatters

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

Brakes

ABS System Behavior

1. ABS lamp does not shut off above 3 mph 5 km/h . See dealer.
2. Other ABS symptoms. Refer to ABS Symptoms and Conditions.

Brakes Do Not Hold Normally

1. Master cylinder low on fluid. See dealer.
2. Brake line contains air bubbles. See dealer.
3. Master or wheel 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 free play. See dealer.

Accessories

Genuine Motor Parts and Accessories

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 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

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

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

Virtually redesign your motorcycle with parts and accessories using the Customizer. This tool
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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

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

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

Custom Coverage

Add Accessories To Your New Ride

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.

Warranties and Responsibilities

Warranty and Maintenance

This Owner's Manual contains your new motorcycle limited warranty and your owner's <https://www.motorcycle-manual.com/>

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.
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

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

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additional electrical accessories or for necessary wiring changes. (00211c)

California and Select International Markets Evaporative Emission Controls: 2011 Models

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

EPA noise regulations require that the following statements be included in the Owner's Manual.

EPA Regulations

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

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

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free), in any state except Alaska and Hawaii. To find dealers worldwide, see www.harley-davidson.com.

Reporting Safety Defects in United States

Safety defects must be reported to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and Harley-Davidson.

NHTSA Statement

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 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
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	www.nhtsa.dot.gov

You can also obtain other information about motor vehicle safety from the hot line.

Required Documentation for Imported Motorcycles

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

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.

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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

24 Months/Unlimited Miles

Harley-Davidson warrants for any new 2011 Harley-Davidson motorcycle/sidecar that an 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

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

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

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 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

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

1. Authorized Harley-Davidson dealers are independently owned and operated and may sell non-Harley-Davidson products. Because of this, HARLEY-DAVIDSON IS NOT

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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

2011 HARLEY-DAVIDSON MOTORCYCLE NOISE CONTROL SYSTEM LIMITED WARRANTY

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

This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights which vary from state to state.

Recommendations for Required Maintenance

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

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

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

This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights which vary from state to state.

Recommendations for Required Maintenance

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

Your Warranty Rights and Obligations

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

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

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

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
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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

The emission control system warranty covers the following "warranted parts" only:

- Intake manifold
- Air cleaner backplate with solenoid operated door, as applicable
- Ignition Module
- Spark plug (first 10,000 miles)
- 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 Pump (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

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
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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 miles or 30,000 kilometers (such as spark plugs, which are scheduled for replacement at 10,000 miles), 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 VRSC 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 VRSC Models

ITEM SERVICED	PROCEDURE	1000 MI	5000 MI	10,000 MI	15,000 MI	20,000 MI	25,000 MI	30,000 MI	NOTES
		1600 KM	8000 KM	16,000 KM	24,000 KM	32,000 KM	40,000 KM	48,000 KM	
Engine oil and filter	Replace	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
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 required		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Tires	Check pressure, inspect tread	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Clutch fluid	Check level and condition	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
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
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	
Spark plugs	Inspect		X		X		X		
	Replace			X		X		X	
Electrical equipment and switches	Check operation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Front fork oil		Replace every 50,000 miles 80,000 kilometers							1, 5
Steering head bearings	Adjust	X				X		X	1, 2
Valve lash		Inspect valve lash every 15,000 miles 24,000 kilometers and adjust if necessary							1, 6
Cooling system	Inspect; check clamps for tightness, check coolant freeze point	X		X		X		X	1
Coolant		Replace every 30,000 miles 48,000 kilometers							1
Radiator	Clean	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

Regulator	Check								
Critical fasteners	Check tightness	X		X		X			1
Battery	Check battery and clean connections								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	
NOTES:	<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, inspect and lubricate every 30,000 miles 48,000 kilometers .</p> <p>3. Perform annually or at specified intervals, whichever comes first.</p> <p>4. Change D.O.T. 4 hydraulic brake/clutch fluid and flush system every two years.</p> <p>5. Replace fork oil and inspect every 50,000 miles 80,000 kilometers .</p> <p>6. Could vary with frequency of operation and riding style.</p>								

Owner's Maintenance Records

SERVICE MILE INTERVAL	DATE	DEALER NUMBER	TECHNICIAN NAME	TECHNICIAN SIGNATURE
1000 MI (1600 KM)				
5000 MI (8000 KM)				
10,000 MI (16,000 KM)				
15,000 MI (24,000 KM)				
20,000 MI (32,000 KM)				
25,000 MI (40,000 KM)				
30,000 MI (48,000 KM)				
35,000 MI				

(56,000 KM)				
40,000 MI (64,000 KM)				
45,000 MI (72,000 KM)				
50,000 MI (80,000 KM)				

Service Literature

Refer to Service Literature: 2011 VRSC Models. Visit any Harley-Davidson dealer or go to 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 VRSC Models

DOCUMENT	LANGUAGE	PART NUMBER
VRSC Models Service Manual	English	99501-11
	French	99501-11FR
	German	99501-11DE
	Spanish	99501-11ES
	Italian	99501-11IT
	Brazilian Portuguese	99501-11BR
VRSC Models Electrical Diagnostic Manual	English	99499-11
	French	99499-11FR
	German	99499-11DE
	Spanish	99499-11ES
	Italian	99499-11IT
	Brazilian Portuguese	99499-11BR
Parts Catalog	English	99457-11

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