
STORAGE

Preparation for Storage -

- Clean the entire vehicle thoroughly.
- Run the engine for about five minutes to warm the oil, shut it off, and drain the engine oil.

 WARNING
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<p>Engine oil is a toxic substance. Dispose of used oil properly. Contact your local authorities for approved disposal methods or possible recycling.</p>
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- Put in fresh engine oil.
- Empty the fuel from the fuel tank by the pump or siphon.

⚠ WARNING

Gasoline is extremely flammable and can be explosive under certain conditions, creating the potential for serious burns. Turn the ignition key to “OFF”. Do not smoke. Make sure the area is well-ventilated and free from any source of flame or sparks; this includes any appliance with a pilot light. Gasoline is a toxic substance. Dispose of gasoline properly. Contact your local authorities for approved disposal methods.

- Empty the fuel system by running the engine at idle speed until the engine stalls (If left in for a long time, the fuel will break down and could clog the fuel system).

⚠ WARNING

An air/oil mist may be forcibly ejected from the spark plug holes and could get into your eyes. Do not lean over the engine when performing this procedure. If you do get oil in your eyes, wash them immediately with liberal amounts of clean, fresh water and consult a physician as soon as possible.

- Reduce tire pressure by about 20%.
- Set the motorcycle on a box or stand so that both wheels are raised off the ground. (If this cannot be done, put boards under the front and rear wheels to keep dampness away from the tire rubber.)

- Spray oil on all unpainted metal surfaces to prevent rusting. Avoid getting oil on rubber parts or in the brakes.
- Lubricate the drive chain and all the cables.
- Remove the battery, and store it where it will not be exposed to direct sunlight, moisture, or freezing temperatures. During storage it should be given a slow charge (one ampere or less) about once a month. Keep the battery well charged especially during cold weather.
- Tie plastic bags over the mufflers to prevent moisture from entering.
- Put a cover over the motorcycle to keep dust and dirt from collecting on it.

Preparation after Storage -

- Remove the plastic bags from the mufflers.
- Install the battery in the motorcycle and charge the battery if necessary.
- Fill the fuel tank with fuel.
- Check all the points listed in the Daily Safety Checks section.
- Lubricate the pivots, bolts, and nuts.