OWNER'S MANUAL

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VMX12NC

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Congratulations on your purchase of the Yamaha VMX12/VMX12C. This model is the result of Yamaha’s vast experience in the production of fine sporting, touring, and pacesetting racing machines. It represents the high degree of craftsmanship and reliability that have made Yamaha a leader in these fields.

This manual will give you an understanding of the operation, inspection, and basic maintenance of this motorcycle. If you have any questions concerning the operation or maintenance of your motorcycle, please consult a Yamaha dealer.

The design and manufacture of this Yamaha motorcycle fully comply with the emissions standards for clean air applicable at the date of manufacture. Yamaha has met these standards without reducing the performance or economy of operation of the motorcycle. To maintain these high standards, it is important that you and your Yamaha dealer pay close attention to the recommended maintenance schedules and operating instructions contained within this manual.
SAFETY INFORMATION

MOTORCYCLES ARE SINGLE TRACK VEHICLES. THEIR SAFE USE AND OPERATION ARE DEPENDENT UPON THE USE OF PROPER RIDING TECHNIQUES AS WELL AS THE EXPERTISE OF THE OPERATOR. EVERY OPERATOR SHOULD KNOW THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS BEFORE RIDING THIS MOTORCYCLE.

HE OR SHE SHOULD:

1. OBTAIN THOROUGH INSTRUCTIONS FROM A COMPETENT SOURCE ON ALL ASPECTS OF MOTORCYCLE OPERATION.
2. OBSERVE THE WARNINGS AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS IN THE OWNER’S MANUAL.
3. OBTAIN QUALIFIED TRAINING IN SAFE AND PROPER RIDING TECHNIQUES.
4. OBTAIN PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL SERVICE AS INDICATED BY THE OWNER’S MANUAL AND/OR WHEN MADE NECESSARY BY MECHANICAL CONDITIONS.

Safe riding

1. Always make pre-operation checks. Careful checks may help prevent an accident.
2. This motorcycle is designed to carry the operator and a passenger.
3. The failure of motorists to detect and recognize motorcycles in traffic is the predominating cause of automobile/motorcycle accidents. Many accidents have been caused by an automobile driver who did not see the motorcycle. Making yourself conspicuous appears to be very effective in reducing the chance of this type of accident.

Therefore:

a. Wear a brightly colored jacket.
b. Use extra caution when you are approaching and passing through intersections, since intersections are the most likely places for motorcycle accidents to occur.
c. Ride where other motorists can see you. Avoid riding in another motorist’s blind spot.
4. Many accidents involve inexperienced operators. In fact, many operators who have been involved in accidents do not even have a current motorcycle license.
   a. Make sure that you are qualified and that you only lend your motorcycle to other qualified operators.
   b. Know your skills and limits. Staying within your limits may help you to avoid an accident.
   c. We recommend that you practice riding your motorcycle where there is no traffic until you have become thoroughly familiar with the motorcycle and all of its controls.

5. Many accidents have been caused by error of the motorcycle operator. A typical error made by the operator is veering wide on a turn due to EXCESSIVE SPEED or undercornering (insufficient lean angle for the speed).
   a. Always obey the speed limit and never travel faster than warranted by road and traffic conditions.
   b. Always signal before turning or changing lanes. Make sure that other motorists can see you.

6. The posture of the operator and passenger is important for proper control.
   a. The operator should keep both hands on the handlebar and both feet on the operator footrests during operation to maintain control of the motorcycle.
   b. The passenger should always hold onto the operator, the seat strap or grab bar, if equipped, with both hands and keep both feet on the passenger footrests.
   c. Never carry a passenger unless he or she can firmly place both feet on the passenger footrests.

7. Never ride under the influence of alcohol or other drugs.

8. This motorcycle is designed for on-road use only. It is not suitable for off-road use.
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Protective apparel

The majority of fatalities from motorcycle accidents are the result of head injuries. The use of a safety helmet is the single most critical factor in the prevention or reduction of head injuries.

1. Always wear an approved helmet.
2. Wear a face shield or goggles. Wind in your unprotected eyes could contribute to an impairment of vision that could delay seeing a hazard.
3. The use of a jacket, heavy boots, trousers, gloves, etc., is effective in preventing or reducing abrasions or lacerations.
4. Never wear loose-fitting clothes, otherwise they could catch on the control levers, footrests, or wheels and cause injury or an accident.
5. Never touch the engine or exhaust system during or after operation. They become very hot and can cause burns. Always wear protective clothing that covers your legs, ankles, and feet.
6. A passenger should also observe the above precautions.

Modifications

Modifications made to this motorcycle not approved by Yamaha, or the removal of original equipment, may render the motorcycle unsafe for use and may cause severe personal injury. Modifications may also make your motorcycle illegal to use.

Loading and accessories

Adding accessories or cargo to your motorcycle can adversely affect stability and handling if the weight distribution of the motorcycle is changed. To avoid the possibility of an accident, use extreme caution when adding cargo or accessories to your motorcycle. Use extra care when riding a motorcycle that has added cargo or accessories. Here are some general guidelines to follow if loading cargo or adding accessories to your motorcycle:
**Loading**

The total weight of the operator, passenger, accessories and cargo must not exceed the maximum load limit of VMX12: 476 lb (216 kg) / VMX12C: 474 lb (215 kg). When loading within this weight limit, keep the following in mind:

1. Cargo and accessory weight should be kept as low and close to the motorcycle as possible. Make sure to distribute the weight as evenly as possible on both sides of the motorcycle to minimize imbalance or instability.
2. Shifting weights can create a sudden imbalance. Make sure that accessories and cargo are securely attached to the motorcycle before riding. Check accessory mounts and cargo restraints frequently.
3. Never attach any large or heavy items to the handlebar, front fork, or front fender. These items, including such items as sleeping bags, duffel bags, or tents, can create unstable handling or a slow steering response.

**Accessories**

Genuine Yamaha accessories have been specifically designed for use on this motorcycle. Since Yamaha cannot test all other accessories that may be available, you must personally be responsible for the proper selection, installation and use of non-Yamaha accessories. Use extreme caution when selecting and installing any accessories.

Keep the following guidelines in mind, as well as those provided under “Loading” when mounting accessories.

1. Never install accessories or carry cargo that would impair the performance of your motorcycle. Carefully inspect the accessory before using it to make sure that it does not in any way reduce ground clearance or cornering clearance, limit suspension travel, steering travel or control operation, or obscure lights or reflectors.
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a. Accessories fitted to the handlebar or the front fork area can create instability due to improper weight distribution or aerodynamic changes. If accessories are added to the handlebar or front fork area, they must be as lightweight as possible and should be kept to a minimum.

b. Bulky or large accessories may seriously affect the stability of the motorcycle due to aerodynamic effects. Wind may attempt to lift the motorcycle, or the motorcycle may become unstable in cross winds. These accessories may also cause instability when passing or being passed by large vehicles.

c. Certain accessories can displace the operator from his or her normal riding position. This improper position limits the freedom of movement of the operator and may limit control ability, therefore, such accessories are not recommended.

2. Use caution when adding electrical accessories. If electrical accessories exceed the capacity of the motorcycle’s electrical system, an electric failure could result, which could cause a dangerous loss of lights or engine power.

Gasoline and exhaust gas

1. GASOLINE IS HIGHLY FLAMMABLE:
   a. Always turn the engine off when refueling.
   b. Take care not to spill any gasoline on the engine or exhaust system when refueling.
   c. Never refuel while smoking or in the vicinity of an open flame.

2. Never start the engine or let it run for any length of time in a closed area. The exhaust fumes are poisonous and may cause loss of consciousness and death within a short time. Always operate your motorcycle in an area that has adequate ventilation.

3. Always turn the engine off before leaving the motorcycle unattended and remove the key from the main switch. When parking the motorcycle, note the following:
a. The engine and exhaust system may be hot, therefore, park the motorcycle in a place where pedestrians or children are not likely to touch these hot areas.

b. Do not park the motorcycle on a slope or soft ground, otherwise it may fall over.

c. Do not park the motorcycle near a flammable source (e.g., a kerosene heater, or near an open flame), otherwise it could catch fire.

4. When transporting the motorcycle in another vehicle, make sure that it is kept upright. If the motorcycle should lean over, gasoline may leak out of the carburetor or fuel tank.

5. If you should swallow any gasoline, inhale a lot of gasoline vapor, or allow gasoline to get into your eyes, see your doctor immediately. If any gasoline spills on your skin or clothing, immediately wash the affected area with soap and water and change your clothes.
Location of important labels
Please read the following important labels carefully before operating this motorcycle.
1. **WARNING**
- Before you operate this vehicle, read the owner's manual and all labels.
- Always wear an approved motorcycle helmet, eye protection, and protective clothing.

2. **CAUTION**
- Read owner's manual before servicing battery.
- Electrolyte will damage metal parts or paint. If electrolyte spills, wash area with fresh water immediately.
- Be sure to connect breather hose after installing battery.

3. **TIRE INFORMATION**
Cold tire normal pressure should be set as follows:
- Up to 90 kg (198 lbs) load
  - FRONT: 225 kPa, (2.25 kgf/cm²), 33 psi
  - REAR: 225 kPa, (2.25 kgf/cm²), 33 psi
- 90 kg (198 lbs) ~ maximum load
  - FRONT: 225 kPa, (2.25 kgf/cm²), 33 psi
  - REAR: 250 kPa, (2.50 kgf/cm²), 36 psi

4. **California only**
   **EMISSION HOSE ROUTING**
   - CARB.
   - FROM FUEL TANK
   - TO ATMOSPHERE
   - CANISTER

5. **WARNING**
   Pass lead wires through hole, as shown. A short circuit could result from improper routing. This could cause the engine to stop running and lights to fail, which could result in an accident.
1. Clutch master cylinder reservoir
2. Air filter element
3. Fuse box
4. Main fuse box
5. Owner's tool kit
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DESCRIPTION

Controls and instruments

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3. Speedometer unit
4. Right handlebar switches
5. Brake lever
6. Throttle grip
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8. Coolant temperature gauge

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Main switch
The main switch controls the ignition and lighting systems. The various main switch positions are described below.

ON
All electrical systems are supplied with power, the headlight, meter lighting, taillight and front position lights come on, and the engine can be started. The key cannot be removed.

OFF
All electrical systems are off. The key can be removed.

P (Parking)
The meter light, taillight and position lights are on, but all other electrical systems are off. The key can be removed. The key must be pushed in from the “OFF” position to be turned to “P”.

CAUTION
Do not use the parking position for an extended length of time, otherwise the battery may discharge.

Indicator and warning lights

Neutral indicator light “NEUTRAL”
This indicator light comes on when the transmission is in the neutral position.

Turn signal indicator light “TURN”
This indicator light flashes when the turn signal switch is pushed to the left or right.
Fuel level warning light “FUEL”
This warning light comes on when the fuel level drops below approximately 3 L (0.7 Imp gal, 0.8 US gal). When this occurs, refuel as soon as possible.
The electrical circuit of the warning light can be checked according to the following procedure.
1. Turn the key to “ON”.
2. If the warning light does not come on, have a Yamaha dealer check the electrical circuit.

Oil level warning light “OIL LEVEL”
This warning light comes on when the engine oil level is low.
The electrical circuit of the warning light can be checked according to the following procedure.
1. Turn the key to “ON”.
2. If the warning light does not come on, have a Yamaha dealer check the electrical circuit.

NOTE: Even if the oil level is sufficient, the warning light may flicker when riding on a slope or during sudden acceleration or deceleration, but this is not a malfunction.

High beam indicator light “HIGH BEAM”
This indicator light comes on when the high beam of the headlight is switched on.

Even if the oil level is sufficient, the warning light may flicker when riding on a slope or during sudden acceleration or deceleration, but this is not a malfunction.

Speedometer unit
The speedometer unit is equipped with a speedometer, an odometer and a tripmeter. The speedometer shows riding speed. The odometer shows the total distance traveled. The tripmeter shows the distance traveled since it was last set to zero with the reset knob. The tripmeter can be used to estimate the distance that can be traveled with a full tank of fuel. This information will enable you to plan future fuel stops.
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1. Tachometer
2. Red zone

**Tachometer**
The electric tachometer allows the rider to monitor the engine speed and keep it within the ideal power range.

**CAUTION:**
Do not operate the engine in the tachometer red zone.
Red zone: 8,500 r/min and above

1. Coolant temperature gauge
2. Red zone

**Coolant temperature gauge**
With the key in the “ON” position, the coolant temperature gauge indicates the temperature of the coolant. The coolant temperature varies with changes in the weather and engine load. If the needle reaches or enters the red zone, stop the motorcycle and let the engine cool. (See page 6-47 for further instructions.)

**CAUTION:**
Do not operate the engine if it is overheated.

1. Dimmer switch “LIGHTS”
2. Turn signal switch “TURN”
3. Horn switch “HORN”

**Handlebar switches**

**Dimmer switch “LIGHTS”**
Set the switch to “HI” for the high beam and to “LO” for the low beam.

**Turn signal switch “TURN”**
To signal a right-hand turn, push this switch to the right. To signal a left-hand turn, push the switch to the left. When released, the switch returns to the center position.
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Since this model is equipped with a self-canceling system, the turn signal lights will self-cancel after the motorcycle has traveled both about 150 m (490 ft) and for approximately 15 seconds. However, the turn signal lights can also be canceled manually by pushing the switch in after it has returned to the center position.

**NOTE:**
The self-canceling system only operates when the motorcycle is moving, so that the turn signal lights will not self-cancel while you are stopped at an intersection.

**Horn switch “HORN”**
Press this switch to sound the horn.

**Engine stop switch “ENGINE STOP”**
Set this switch to “OFF” to stop the engine in case of an emergency, such as when the motorcycle overturns or when the throttle cable is stuck.

**Fuel reserve switch “FUEL”**
During normal operation, this switch should be kept in the “ON” position. If the fuel warning light comes on while riding, set the switch to “RES”, refuel as soon as possible, and then set the switch back to “ON”.

**CAUTION:**
See page 5-1 for starting instructions prior to starting the engine.
INSTRUMENT AND CONTROL FUNCTIONS

Clutch lever
The clutch lever is located at the left handlebar grip. To disengage the clutch, pull the lever toward the handlebar grip. To engage the clutch, release the lever. The lever should be pulled rapidly and released slowly for smooth clutch operation.

The clutch lever is equipped with a clutch switch, which is part of the ignition circuit cut-off system. (See page 3-17 for an explanation of the ignition circuit cut-off system.)

Shift pedal
The shift pedal is located on the left side of the engine and is used in combination with the clutch lever when shifting the gears of the 5-speed constant-mesh transmission equipped on this motorcycle.

Brake lever
The brake lever is located at the right handlebar grip. To apply the front brake, pull the lever toward the handlebar grip.
Brake pedal
The brake pedal is on the right side of the motorcycle. To apply the rear brake, press down on the brake pedal.

Fuel tank cap
To remove the fuel tank cap
1. Push the levers on the left and right side of the rider seat backrest as shown and slide the rider seat backrest forward.

2. Insert the key into the lock, and then turn it 1/4 turn clockwise. The lock will be released and the fuel tank cap can be opened.
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To install the fuel tank cap
1. Insert the fuel tank cap into the tank opening with the key inserted in the lock.
2. Turn the key counterclockwise, and then remove it.
3. Slide the rider seat backrest rearward and push it down.

NOTE:
The fuel tank cap cannot be installed unless the key is in the lock. In addition, the key cannot be removed if the cap is not properly installed and locked.

WARNING
Make sure that the fuel tank cap is properly installed before riding.

CAUTION:
Immediately wipe off spilled fuel with a clean, dry, soft cloth, since fuel may deteriorate painted surfaces or plastic parts.

Fuel
Make sure that there is sufficient fuel in the tank. Fill the fuel tank to the bottom of the filler tube as shown in the illustration.

WARNING
- Do not overfill the fuel tank, otherwise it may overflow when the fuel warms up and expands.
- Avoid spilling fuel on the hot engine.

Recommended fuel:
UNLEADED FUEL
Fuel tank capacity:
Total amount:
15 L (3.3 Imp gal, 4.0 US gal)
Reserve amount:
3 L (0.7 Imp gal, 0.8 US gal)

Your Yamaha engine has been designed to use regular unleaded gasoline with a pump octane number \([\frac{R+M}{2}]\) of 86 or higher, or a research octane number of 91 or higher. If knocking (or pinging) occurs, use a gasoline of a different brand or premium unleaded fuel. Use of unleaded fuel will extend spark plug life and reduce
maintenance costs. If unleaded gasoline is not available, then leaded regular gasoline can be used.

Gasohol
There are two types of gasohol: gasohol containing ethanol and that containing methanol. Gasohol containing ethanol can be used if the ethanol content does not exceed 10%. Gasohol containing methanol is not recommended by Yamaha because it can cause damage to the fuel system or vehicle performance problems.

Starter (choke) lever
Starting a cold engine requires a richer air-fuel mixture, which is supplied by the starter (choke).
Move the lever in direction a to turn on the starter (choke).
Move the lever in direction b to turn off the starter (choke).
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Steering lock

To lock the steering
1. Turn the handlebar all the way to the right.
2. Open the steering lock cover, and then insert the steering lock key.
3. Turn the key 1/8 turn counterclockwise, push it in while turning the handlebar slightly to the left, and then turn the key 1/8 turn clockwise.
4. Check that the steering is locked, remove the key, and then close the lock cover.

To unlock the steering
1. Open the steering lock cover, and then insert the steering lock key.
2. Push the key in, turn it 1/8 turn counterclockwise so that it moves out, and then release it.
3. Remove the key, and then close the lock cover.

Rider seat

To remove the rider seat
1. Release the rider seat backrest by pushing the levers on the left and right side as shown, and then slide the backrest forward.
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2. Remove the bolts and screws, and then pull the rider seat off.

To install the rider seat
1. Insert the projection on the front of the rider seat into the seat holder as shown.
2. Place the rider seat in the original position, and then tighten the bolts and screws.

NOTE: Make sure that the seat is properly secured before riding.

3. Return the rider seat backrest to the original position.

Helmet holder
To open the helmet holder, insert the key into the lock, and then turn the key as shown.
To lock the helmet holder, place it in the original position, and then remove the key.

WARNING Never ride with a helmet attached to the helmet holder, since the helmet may hit objects, causing loss of control and possibly an accident.
Adjusting the front fork
This front fork is equipped with air valves for adjusting the spring rate.

**WARNING**
Always adjust both fork legs equally, otherwise poor handling and loss of stability may result.

Adjust the spring rate as follows.
1. Elevate the front wheel by placing the motorcycle on the centerstand.

**NOTE:**
When checking and adjusting the air pressure, there should be no weight on the front end of the motorcycle.
2. Remove the air valve cap from each fork leg.

3. Check the air pressure in each fork leg with an air pressure gauge.

**NOTE:**
An optional air pressure gauge is available at a Yamaha dealer.
4. To increase the spring rate and thereby harden the suspension, increase the air pressure with an air pump or compressed air. To decrease the spring rate and thereby soften the suspension, decrease the air pressure by pushing each valve stem down.
Spring rate:
Minimum/standard (soft):
Air pressure = 40 kPa (0.4 kgf/cm², 5.7 psi)
Maximum (hard):
Air pressure = 100 kPa (1.0 kgf/cm², 14 psi)

**CAUTION:**
Never exceed the maximum air pressure, otherwise the front fork oil seals may become damaged.

**WARNING**
There must be no difference in air pressure between the left and right fork legs, otherwise poor handling and loss of stability may result.

5. Securely install the air valve caps.

**WARNING**
Always adjust both shock absorber assemblies equally, otherwise poor handling and loss of stability may result.

**CAUTION:**
Never attempt to turn an adjusting mechanism beyond the maximum or minimum settings.

Adjusting the shock absorber assemblies
Both shock absorber assemblies are equipped with a spring preload adjusting ring and a damping force adjusting knob.
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NOTE:
- Align the bottom edge of the adjusting ring with the appropriate setting on the shock absorber.
- Use the special wrench included in the owner’s tool kit to make this adjustment.

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<td>Maximum (hard): 5</td>
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NOTE: Align the appropriate setting on the adjusting knob with the position indicator on the shock absorber.

Spring preload
To increase the spring preload and thereby harden the suspension, turn the adjusting ring on each shock absorber assembly in direction a. To decrease the spring preload and thereby soften the suspension, turn the adjusting ring on each shock absorber assembly in direction b.

Damping force
To increase the damping force and thereby harden the damping, turn the adjusting knob on each shock absorber assembly in direction a. To decrease the damping force and thereby soften the damping, turn the adjusting knob on each shock absorber assembly in direction b.

1. Damping force adjusting knob
2. Position indicator
Damping force:
Minimum (soft): 1
Standard: 1
Maximum (hard): 4
Matching the front and rear suspension settings
Use this table as a guide to match the suspension and damping adjustments of the front fork and shock absorber assembly according to various load conditions.

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<td>Spring preload (air pressure)</td>
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<td>5.7-8.5 psi</td>
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<td>With passenger or with accessories and equipment</td>
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**CAUTION:**
Never attempt to turn an adjusting mechanism beyond the maximum or minimum settings.
The V-Boost operation can be heard when the main switch is turned on.

**CAUTION:**

If the V-Boost does not operate, ask a Yamaha dealer to inspect it.

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**V-Boost**

The V-Boost is a vital part of the engine and requires very sophisticated adjustment. Adjustment should be left to a Yamaha dealer who has the professional knowledge and experience to do so.

**CAUTION:**

The V-Boost was set at the Yamaha factory after many tests. If the settings are changed by someone without sufficient technical knowledge, poor engine performance and damage may result.
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Sidestand
The sidestand is located on the left side of the frame. Raise the sidestand or lower it with your foot while holding the motorcycle upright.

NOTE:
The built-in sidestand switch is part of the ignition circuit cut-off system, which cuts the ignition in certain situations. (See further down for an explanation of the ignition circuit cut-off system.)

WARNING
The motorcycle must not be ridden with the sidestand down, or if the sidestand cannot be properly moved up (or does not stay up), otherwise the sidestand could contact the ground and distract the operator, resulting in a possible loss of control. Yamaha’s ignition circuit cut-off system has been designed to assist the operator in fulfilling the responsibility of raising the sidestand before starting off. Therefore, check this system regularly as described below and have a Yamaha dealer repair it if it does not function properly.

Ignition circuit cut-off system
The ignition circuit cut-off system (comprising the sidestand switch, clutch switch and neutral switch) has the following functions.

- It prevents starting when the transmission is in gear and the sidestand is up, but the clutch lever is not pulled.
- It prevents starting when the transmission is in gear and the clutch lever is pulled, but the sidestand is still down.
- It cuts the running engine when the sidestand is moved down.

Periodically check the operation of the ignition circuit cut-off system according to the following procedure.

WARNING

- The vehicle must be placed on the centerstand during this inspection.
- If a malfunction is noted, have a Yamaha dealer check the system before riding.
With the engine turned off:
1. Move the sidestand down.
2. Make sure that the engine stop switch is set to “RUN”.
3. Turn the key to “ON”.
4. Shift the transmission into the neutral position.
5. Push the start switch.

Does the engine start?

- YES
- NO

NOTE:
This check is most reliable if performed with a warmed-up engine.

The neutral switch may be defective.
The motorcycle should not be ridden until checked by a Yamaha dealer.

With the engine still running:
6. Move the sidestand up.
7. Keep the clutch lever pulled.
8. Shift the transmission into gear.
9. Move the sidestand down.

Does the engine stall?

- YES
- NO

The sidestand switch may be defective.
The motorcycle should not be ridden until checked by a Yamaha dealer.

After the engine has stalled:
10. Move the sidestand up.
11. Keep the clutch lever pulled.
12. Push the start switch.

Does the engine start?

- YES
- NO

The clutch switch may be defective.
The motorcycle should not be ridden until checked by a Yamaha dealer.

The system is OK. The motorcycle can be ridden.
The condition of a vehicle is the owner's responsibility. Vital components can start to deteriorate quickly and unexpectedly, even if the vehicle remains unused (for example, as a result of exposure to the elements). Any damage, fluid leakage or loss of tire air pressure could have serious consequences. Therefore, it is very important, in addition to a thorough visual inspection, to check the following points before each ride.

**Pre-operation check list**

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<td>Check coolant level. Add coolant if necessary.</td>
<td>6-16-6-20</td>
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<td>Final gear oil</td>
<td>Check vehicle for leakage.</td>
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<td>Wheels and tires</td>
<td>Check tire air pressure, for wear and damage.</td>
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<td>Control cables</td>
<td>Check operation. Lubricate if necessary.</td>
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<td>Brake and shift pedal shafts</td>
<td>Check operation. Lubricate if necessary.</td>
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<td>Brake and clutch lever pivots</td>
<td>Check operation. Lubricate if necessary.</td>
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<td>Center and sidestand pivots</td>
<td>Check operation. Lubricate if necessary.</td>
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<td>Make sure that all nuts, bolts and screws are properly tightened.</td>
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<td>Tighten if necessary.</td>
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<td><strong>Fuel</strong></td>
<td>Check fuel level.</td>
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<td>Add fuel if necessary.</td>
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<td><strong>Lights, signals and switches</strong></td>
<td>Check operation.</td>
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<td><strong>Battery</strong></td>
<td>Check fluid level.</td>
<td>6-35-6-37</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Add distilled water if necessary.</td>
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**NOTE:**

Pre-operation checks should be made each time the motorcycle is used. Such an inspection can be accomplished in a very short time; and the added safety it assures is more than worth the time involved.

**WARNING**

If any item in the Pre-operation check list is not working properly, have it inspected and repaired before operating the motorcycle.
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WARNING

- Become thoroughly familiar with all operating controls and their functions before riding. Consult a Yamaha dealer regarding any control or function that you do not thoroughly understand.

- Never start the engine or operate it in a closed area for any length of time. Exhaust fumes are poisonous, and inhaling them can cause loss of consciousness and death within a short time. Always make sure that there is adequate ventilation.

- Before starting out, make sure that the sidestand is up. If the sidestand is not raised completely, it could contact the ground and distract the operator, resulting in a possible loss of control.

CAUTION:

- Make sure not to store personal items near the air cleaner intake, otherwise air intake will be blocked and performance will suffer.

- Make sure not to put anything near the battery and its terminals, otherwise electrical failure and acid corrosion may result.

Starting and warming up a cold engine

In order for the ignition circuit cut-off system to enable starting, one of the following conditions must be met:

- The transmission is in the neutral position.
- The transmission is in gear with the clutch lever pulled and the sidestand up.

WARNING

- Before starting the engine, check the function of the ignition circuit cut-off system according to the procedure described on page 3-18.

- Never ride with the sidestand down.

1. Turn the key to "ON" and make sure that the engine stop switch is set to "RUN".

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**NOTE:** The oil level warning light and fuel level warning light should come on when the start switch is pushed, and they should go off when the start switch is released.

**NOTE:** If the oil level warning light flickers or remains on after starting, immediately stop the engine, and then check the engine oil level and the vehicle for oil leakage. If necessary, add engine oil, and then check the warning light again. If the warning light does not come on when pushing the start switch, or if it does not go off after starting with sufficient fuel, have a Yamaha dealer check the electrical circuit.

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**CAUTION:**

- If the fuel level warning light remains on after starting, stop the engine, and then check the fuel level. If necessary, refuel as soon as possible, and then check the warning light again. If the warning light does not come on when pushing the start switch, or if it does not go off after starting with sufficient fuel, have a Yamaha dealer check the electrical circuit.

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**NOTE:** If the engine fails to start, release the start switch, wait a few seconds, and then try again. Each starting attempt should be as short as possible to preserve the battery. Do not crank the engine more than 10 seconds on any one attempt.

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**CAUTION:**

If the fuel level warning light comes on, check the fuel level, and, if necessary, refuel as soon as possible.

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2. Shift the transmission into the neutral position.

**NOTE:**

When the transmission is in the neutral position, the neutral indicator light should be on, otherwise have a Yamaha dealer check the electrical circuit.

3. Turn the starter (choke) on and completely close the throttle. (See page 3-8 for starter (choke) operation.)

4. Start the engine by pushing the start switch.

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5. After starting the engine, move the starter (choke) lever back halfway.

**CAUTION:**

For maximum engine life, always warm the engine up before starting off. Never accelerate hard when the engine is cold!
Safety is an obligation of the owner. Periodic inspection, adjustment and lubrication will keep your vehicle in the safest and most efficient condition possible. The most important points of motorcycle inspection, adjustment, and lubrication are explained on the following pages.

Maintenance, replacement, or repair of the emission control devices and systems may be performed by any repair establishment or individual that is certified (if applicable).

**WARNING**
If you are not familiar with motorcycle maintenance work, have a Yamaha dealer do it for you.

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**PERIODIC MAINTENANCE**

**PROPER PERIODIC MAINTENANCE OF YOUR MOTORCYCLE IS IMPORTANT IN ORDER TO ENJOY LONG, PLEASURABLE SERVICE. ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT ARE THE MAINTENANCE SERVICES RELATED TO EMISSIONS CONTROL. THESE CONTROLS NOT ONLY FUNCTION TO ENSURE CLEANER AIR, BUT ARE ALSO VITAL TO PROPER ENGINE OPERATION AND MAXIMUM PERFORMANCE. IN THE FOLLOWING PERIODIC MAINTENANCE CHARTS, THE SERVICES RELATED TO EMISSIONS CONTROL ARE GROUPED SEPARATELY. THESE SERVICES REQUIRE SPECIALIZED DATA, KNOWLEDGE, AND EQUIPMENT. YAMAHA DEALERS ARE TRAINED AND EQUIPPED TO PERFORM THESE PARTICULAR SERVICES.

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**Owner’s tool kit**
The tool kit is located inside the storage compartment behind the rider seat backrest. (See page 3-9 for an explanation on moving the rider seat backrest forward and back.)
The service information included in this manual and the tools provided in the owner’s tool kit are intended to assist you in the performance of preventive maintenance and minor repairs. However, additional tools such as a torque wrench may be necessary to perform certain maintenance work correctly.

NOTE: If you do not have the tools or experience required for a particular job, have a Yamaha dealer perform it for you.

**WARNING**

Modifications not approved by Yamaha may cause loss of performance and render the vehicle unsafe for use. Consult a Yamaha dealer before attempting any changes.
### Periodic maintenance chart for emission control system

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<td>1</td>
<td>Valve clearance</td>
<td>• Check and adjust valve clearance when engine is cold.</td>
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<td>Spark plugs</td>
<td>• Check condition.</td>
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<td>• Adjust gap and clean.</td>
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<td>• Replace every 8,000 mi (13,000 km) or 12 months and thereafter every</td>
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<td>Crankcase ventilation system</td>
<td>• Check ventilation hose for cracks or damage.</td>
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<td>• Replace if necessary.</td>
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<td>Fuel line</td>
<td>• Check fuel hoses for cracks or damage.</td>
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<td>• Replace if necessary.</td>
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<td>Fuel filter</td>
<td>• Replace initial 20,000 mi (31,000 km) or 30 months and thereafter every</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Replace.</td>
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<td>Exhaust system</td>
<td>• Check for leakage.</td>
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<td>• Retighten if necessary.</td>
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<td>• Replace gasket(s) if necessary.</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Carburetor synchronization</td>
<td>• Adjust synchronization of carburetors.</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Idle speed</td>
<td>• Check and adjust engine idle speed.</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>• Adjust cable free play.</td>
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| 9   | Evaporative emission control system (For California only) | • Check control system for damage.  
     |                                               |         |         |  ✓     |         |  ✓     |         |

* Since these items require special tools, data and technical skills, have a Yamaha dealer perform the service.
## General maintenance and lubrication chart

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<td>1</td>
<td>Engine oil</td>
<td>• Replace (warm up engine before draining).</td>
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<td>Oil filter</td>
<td>• Replace.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Air filter</td>
<td>• Clean with compressed air.</td>
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<td>Cooling system</td>
<td>• Check hose for cracks or damage.</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>• Replace if necessary.</td>
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<td>• Replace coolant every 24 months.</td>
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<td>Brake system</td>
<td>• Adjust free play.</td>
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<td>• Replace pads if necessary.</td>
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<td>Clutch</td>
<td>• Check operation and fluid leakage. (See NOTE page 6-7.)</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>• Correct if necessary.</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Final gear oil</td>
<td>• Check oil level and leakage.</td>
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<td>• Replace every 16,000 mi (25,000 km) or 24 months.</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Control and meter cable</td>
<td>• Apply chain lube thoroughly.</td>
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<td>✓</td>
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* SAE 80 API "GL-4" hypoid gear oil

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<td>Swingarm pivot bearing</td>
<td>Check bearing assembly for looseness.</td>
<td>Lithium-soap-based grease</td>
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<td>Moderately repack every 16,000 mi (25,000 km).</td>
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<td>0</td>
<td>Brake/clutch lever pivot shaft</td>
<td>Apply lithium-soap-based grease (all-purpose grease) lightly.</td>
<td>Lithium-soap-based grease (all-purpose grease)</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Brake pedal and shift pedal shaft</td>
<td>Lubricate.</td>
<td>Lithium-soap-based grease (all-purpose grease) lightly.</td>
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<td>Center/sidestand pivots</td>
<td>Check operation and lubricate.</td>
<td>Lithium-soap-based grease (all-purpose grease) lightly.</td>
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<td>Front fork</td>
<td>Check operation and leakage.</td>
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<td>Steering bearings</td>
<td>Check bearing assembly for looseness.</td>
<td>Lithium-soap-based grease</td>
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<td>Moderately repack every 16,000 mi (25,000 km).</td>
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<td>Wheel bearings</td>
<td>Check bearings for smooth rotation.</td>
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<td>Battery</td>
<td>Check specific gravity and breather pipe for proper operation.</td>
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<td>17</td>
<td>Sidestand switch</td>
<td>Check and clean or replace if necessary.</td>
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* Since these items require special tools, data and technical skills, they should be serviced by a Yamaha dealer.

**NOTE:**

For odometer readings or time periods higher than 20,000 mi (31,000 km) or 30 months, follow the maintenance requirements listed in the maintenance chart under the 4,000 mi (7,000 km) or 6 month interval.

**NOTE:**

- The air filter needs more frequent service if you are riding in unusually wet or dusty areas.
- Hydraulic brake and clutch systems
- After disassembling the master cylinder, caliper cylinder or clutch release cylinder, always replace the brake fluid. Check the brake fluid level of the master cylinder and clutch release cylinder regularly and fill as required.
- Replace the oil seals on the inner parts of the master cylinder, caliper cylinder and clutch release cylinder every two years.
- Replace the brake and clutch hoses every four years or if cracked or damaged.
Removing and installing cowlings and panels

The cowlings and panels shown above need to be removed to perform some of the maintenance jobs described in this chapter. Refer to this section each time a cowling or panel needs to be removed and installed.

Cowling A

To remove the cowling

1. Insert the key into the lock, and then turn it clockwise.
2. Pull the cowling off as shown.

To install the cowling

1. Align the holders under the cowling with the projections on the frame.
2. Push down on the rear of the cowling until it locks in place.
3. Remove the key from the lock.
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Panel A
To remove the panel
1. Remove cowling A. (See page 6-8 for cowling removal and installation procedures.)
2. Remove the screws, and then take the panel off.
To install the panel
1. Place the panel in the original position, and then install the screws.
2. Install the cowling.

Panel B
To remove the panel
Remove the screws, and then take the panel off.
To install the panel
Place the panel in the original position, and then install the screws.

Checking the spark plugs
The spark plugs are important engine components, which are easy to check. Since heat and deposits will cause any spark plug to slowly erode, the spark plugs should be removed and checked in accordance with the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart. In addition, the condition of the spark plugs can reveal the condition of the engine.

To remove a spark plug
1. Remove the spark plug cap.
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1. Spark plug wrench

2. Remove the spark plug as shown, with the spark plug wrench included in the owner's tool kit.

To check the spark plugs
1. Check that the porcelain insulator around the center electrode on each spark plug is a medium-to-light tan (the ideal color when the motorcycle is ridden normally).
2. Check that all spark plugs installed in the engine have the same color.

NOTE: If any spark plug shows a distinctly different color, the engine could be defective. Do not attempt to diagnose such problems yourself. Instead, have a Yamaha dealer check the motorcycle.

3. Check each spark plug for electrode erosion and excessive carbon or other deposits, and replace it if necessary.

To install a spark plug
1. Measure the spark plug gap with a wire thickness gauge and, if necessary, adjust the gap to specification.

Specified spark plug:
   DPR8EA-9/NGK or X24EPR-U9/DENSO

2. Clean the surface of the spark plug gasket and its mating surface, and then wipe off any grime from the spark plug threads.
3. Install the spark plug with the spark plug wrench, and then tighten it to the specified torque.

Spark plug gap:
   0.8-0.9 mm (0.03-0.04 in)
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Tightening torque:
Spark plug:
18 Nm (1.8 m-kg, 13 ft-lb)

NOTE: If a torque wrench is not available when installing a spark plug, a good estimate of the correct torque is 1/4-1/2 turn past finger tight. However, the spark plug should be tightened to the specified torque as soon as possible.

4. Install the spark plug cap.

Engine oil and oil filter cartridge
The engine oil level should be checked before each ride. In addition, the oil must be changed and the oil filter cartridge replaced at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart.

To check the engine oil level
1. Place the motorcycle on the centerstand.

NOTE: Make sure that the motorcycle is positioned straight up when checking the oil level. A slight tilt to the side can result in a false reading.

2. Start the engine, warm it up for several minutes, and then turn it off.

Canister (for California only)
This model is equipped with a canister to prevent the discharging of fuel vapor into the atmosphere.
- Check each hose connection.
- Check each hose and canister for cracks or damage. Replace if damaged.
- Make sure the vent hose is not blocked. Clean it if necessary.
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To change the engine oil (with or without oil filter cartridge replacement)

1. Start the engine, warm it up for several minutes, and then turn it off.
2. Place an oil pan under the engine to collect the used oil.

NOTE: The engine oil should be between the minimum and maximum level marks.

If the engine oil is below the minimum level mark, add sufficient oil of the recommended type to raise it to the correct level.

3. Remove the engine oil filler cap and drain bolt to drain the oil from the crankcase.

NOTE: Skip steps 4-6 if the oil filter cartridge is not being replaced.
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4. Remove the oil filter cartridge with an oil filter wrench.

NOTE: An oil filter wrench is available at a Yamaha dealer.

5. Apply a thin coat of engine oil to the O-ring of the new oil filter cartridge.

NOTE: Make sure that the O-ring is properly seated.

6. Install the new oil filter cartridge, and then tighten it to the specified torque with a torque wrench.

Tightening torque:
Oil filter cartridge: 17 Nm (1.7 m-km, 12 ft-lb)

7. Install the engine oil drain bolt, and then tighten it to the specified torque.

Tightening torque:
Engine oil drain bolt: 43 Nm (4.3 m-km, 31 ft-lb)
8. Add the specified amount of the recommended engine oil, and then install and tighten the oil filler cap.

-Recommended engine oil:
  See page 8-l.

  Oil quantity:
  Without oil filter cartridge
  replacement:
  3.2 L (2.8 Imp qt, 3.4 US qt)
  With oil filter cartridge
  replacement:
  3.4 L (3.0 Imp qt, 3.6 US qt)

  Total amount (dry engine):
  4.0 L (3.5 Imp qt, 4.2 US qt)

-CAUTION-  
- In order to prevent clutch slippage (since the engine oil also lubricates the clutch), do not mix any chemical additives with the oil or use oils of a higher grade than “CD”. In addition, do not use oils labeled “ENERGY CONSERVING II” or higher.
- Make sure that no foreign material enters the crankcase.

9. Start the engine, and then let it idle for several minutes while checking it for oil leakage. If oil is leaking, immediately turn the engine off and check for the cause.

NOTE:  
After the engine is started, the engine oil level warning light should go off if the oil level is sufficient.

10. Turn the engine off, and then check the oil level and correct it if necessary.

If the oil level warning light flickers or remains on, immediately turn the engine off and have a Yamaha dealer check the vehicle.
Final gear oil
The final gear case must be checked for oil leakage before each ride. If any leakage is found, have a Yamaha dealer check and repair the motorcycle. In addition, the final gear oil must be changed as follows at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart.

1. Place the motorcycle on the centerstand.
2. Place an oil pan under the final gear case to collect the used oil.
3. Remove the oil filler bolt and drain bolt to drain the oil from the final gear case.
4. Install the final gear oil drain bolt, and then tighten it to the specified torque.

Tightening torque:
Final gear oil drain bolt:
23 Nm (2.3 m-kg, 17 ft.lb)

5. Add the specified amount of the recommended final gear oil, and then install and tighten the oil filler bolt.

Recommended final gear oil:
Hypoid gear oil SAE 80 (API GL4) or multigrade hypoid gear oil SAE 80W-90
Oil quantity:
0.2 L (0.18 Imp qt, 0.21 US qt)

NOTE: GL4 is a quality rating. Hypoid gear oils rated GL5 or GL6 may also be used.

WARNING
- Make sure that no foreign material enters the final gear case.
- Make sure that no oil gets on the tire or wheel.

6. Check the final gear case for oil leakage. If oil is leaking, check for the cause.
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Coolant
The coolant level should be checked before each ride. In addition, the coolant must be changed at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart. If the engine overheats, see page 6-47 for further instructions.

To check the coolant level
1. Place the motorcycle on a level surface and hold it in an upright position.
2. Remove cowling A. (See page 6-8 for cowling removal and installation procedures.)

NOTE:
- The coolant level must be checked on a cold engine since the level varies with engine temperature.
- Make sure that the motorcycle is positioned straight up when checking the coolant level. A slight tilt to the side can result in a false reading.

3. Check the coolant level in the coolant reservoir.

NOTE:
The coolant should be between the minimum and maximum level marks.

4. If the coolant is at or below the minimum level mark, remove the coolant reservoir cap and add coolant to the maximum level mark.
5. Install the coolant reservoir cap and the cowling.

Coolant reservoir capacity:
0.3 L (0.26 Imp, 0.32 US qt)
If coolant is not available, use distilled water or soft tap water instead. Do not use hard water or salt water since it is harmful to the engine.

If water has been used instead of coolant, replace it with coolant as soon as possible, otherwise the engine may not be sufficiently cooled and the cooling system will not be protected against frost and corrosion.

If water has been added to the coolant, have a Yamaha dealer check the antifreeze content of the coolant as soon as possible, otherwise the effectiveness of the coolant will be reduced.

**NOTE:** The radiator fan is automatically switched on or off according to the coolant temperature in the radiator. If the engine overheats, see page 6-47 for further instructions.

**To change the coolant**
Place the motorcycle on a level surface and let the engine cool if necessary.

1. Remove cowling A and panel A. (See pages 6-8 and 6-9 for cowling and panel removal and installation procedures.)
2. Place a container under the engine to collect the used coolant.
4. Remove the radiator cap.

**WARNING**

Never attempt to remove the radiator cap when the engine is hot.

5. Turn the coolant drain cock to "ON".

6. Remove the water pump drain bolt to drain the water pump housing.
7. Remove the cylinder drain plug covers on the outside of the cylinder blocks by removing the screws.

8. Remove the rubber coolant drain plugs to drain the coolant from the engine.

9. After the coolant is completely drained, thoroughly flush the cooling system with clean tap water.

10. Install the water pump drain bolt, and then tighten it to the specified torque.

NOTE: Check the washer for damage and replace it if necessary.

11. Install the rubber coolant drain plugs, and then install the cylinder drain plug covers.

NOTE: Check the rubber plugs for damage and replace them if necessary.

12. Turn the coolant drain cock to “OFF”.

13. Pour the recommended coolant into the reservoir to the maximum level, and then install the cap.

14. Pour the recommended coolant into the radiator until it is full.

Tightening torque:
Water pump drain bolt:
43 Nm (4.3 m·kg, 31 ft·lb)
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Antifreeze/water mixture ratio:
1:1

Recommended antifreeze:
High-quality ethylene glycol antifreeze containing corrosion inhibitors for aluminum engines

Coolant quantity:
Total amount:
3.05 L (2.68 Imp qt, 3.22 US qt)

Coolant reservoir capacity:
0.3 L (0.26 Imp qt, 0.32 US qt)

CAUTION:

- If coolant is not available, use distilled water or soft tap water instead. Do not use hard water or salt water since it is harmful to the engine.

- If water has been used instead of coolant, replace it with coolant as soon as possible, otherwise the engine may not be sufficiently cooled and the cooling system will not be protected against frost and corrosion.

- If water has been added to the coolant, have a Yamaha dealer check the antifreeze content of the coolant as soon as possible, otherwise the effectiveness of the coolant will be reduced.

15. Install the radiator cap, start the engine, let it idle for several minutes, and then turn it off.

16. Remove the radiator cap to check the coolant level in the radiator. If necessary, add sufficient coolant until it reaches the top of the radiator, and then install the radiator cap.

17. Check the coolant level in the reservoir. If necessary, remove the coolant reservoir cap, add coolant to the maximum level mark, and then install the cap.

18. Start the engine, and then check the vehicle for coolant leakage. If coolant is leaking, have a Yamaha dealer check the cooling system.

19. Install the cowling and the panel.
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Cleaning the air filter element
The air filter element should be cleaned at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart. Clean the air filter element more frequently if you are riding in unusually wet or dusty areas.

1. Remove cowling A. (See page 6-8 for cowling removal and installation procedures.)
2. Remove the air filter case cover by removing the screws.

3. Pull the air filter element out.
4. Lightly tap the air filter element to remove most of the dust and dirt, and then blow the remaining dirt out with compressed air as shown. If the air filter element is damaged, replace it.
5. Insert the air filter element into the air filter case.

6. Install the air filter case cover by installing the screws.
7. Install the cowling.

**CAUTION:**
- Make sure that the air filter element is properly seated in the air filter case.
- The engine should never be operated without the air filter element installed, otherwise the piston(s) and/or cylinder(s) may become excessively worn.
Adjusting the carburetors
The carburetors are important parts of the engine and emission control system, which require very sophisticated adjustment. Therefore, all carburetor adjustments should be left to a Yamaha dealer, who has the necessary professional knowledge and experience.

Adjusting the throttle cable free play
The throttle cable free play should measure 3-5 mm (0.12-0.20 in) at the throttle grip. Periodically check the throttle cable free play and, if necessary, have a Yamaha dealer adjust it.

Adjusting the valve clearance
The valve clearance changes with use, resulting in improper air-fuel mixture and/or engine noise. To prevent this from occurring, the valve clearance must be adjusted by a Yamaha dealer at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart.
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Tires
To maximize the performance, durability, and safe operation of your motorcycle, note the following points regarding the specified tires.

Tire air pressure
The tire air pressure should be checked and, if necessary, adjusted before each ride.

⚠️ WARNING
- The tire air pressure must be checked and adjusted on cold tires (i.e., when the temperature of the tires equals the ambient temperature).
- The tire air pressure must be adjusted in accordance with the riding speed and with the total weight of rider, passenger, cargo, and accessories approved for this model.

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Maximum load* 216 kg (476 lb): VMX12 215 kg (474 lb): VMX12C

* Total weight of rider, passenger, cargo and accessories

⚠️ WARNING
Proper loading of your motorcycle is important for several characteristics of your motorcycle, such as handling, braking, performance and safety. Do not carry loosely packed items that can shift. Securely pack your heaviest items close to the center of the motorcycle, and distribute the weight evenly from side to side. Properly adjust the suspension for your load, and check the condition and pressure of your tires. NEVER OVERLOAD YOUR MOTORCYCLE. Make sure the total weight of the cargo, rider, passenger, and accessories (cowlings, saddlebags, etc. if approved for this model) does not exceed the maximum load of the motorcycle. Operation of an overloaded motorcycle could cause tire damage, an accident, or even injury.
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1. Sidewall
2. Wear indicator
   a. Tire tread depth

Tire inspection
Always check the tires before operating the motorcycle. If a tire tread shows crosswise lines (minimum tread depth), if the tire has a nail or glass fragments in it, or if the side wall is cracked, contact a Yamaha dealer immediately and have the tire replaced.

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Minimum tire tread depth (front and rear) 1.0 mm (0.04 in)

![Diagram of tire tread depth]

**WARNING**
This motorcycle is fitted with super-high-speed tires. Note the following points in order to make the most efficient use of these tires.

- Use only the specified replacement tires. Other tires may run the danger of bursting at super high speeds.
- Brand-new tires can have a relatively poor grip on certain road surfaces until they have been “broken in”. Therefore, it is advisable before doing any speed riding to ride conservatively for approximately 100 km (60 mi) after installing a new tire.
- The tires must be warmed up before a high-speed run.
- Always adjust the tire air pressure according to the operating conditions.
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Cast wheels

To maximize the performance, durability, and safe operation of your motorcycle, note the following points regarding the specified wheels.

- The wheel rims should be checked for cracks, bends, warpage or damage before each ride. If any damage is found, have a Yamaha dealer replace the wheel. Do not attempt even the smallest repair to the wheel. A deformed or cracked wheel must be replaced.
- The wheel should be balanced whenever either the tire or wheel has been changed or replaced. An unbalanced wheel can result in poor performance, adverse handling characteristics, and a shortened tire life.
- Ride at moderate speeds after changing a tire since the tire surface must first be “broken in” for it to develop its optimal characteristics.

- After repairing or replacing a tire, tighten the valve stem nut and locknut to the specified torques.

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<td>Valve stem nut:</td>
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Accessories and replacement parts

This motorcycle is not designed to pull a trailer or to be attached to a sidecar. The accessories or replacement parts you choose for your motorcycle should be designed specifically for this model, and they must be securely mounted to maintain the inherent stability of the original design. Genuine Yamaha Parts and Accessories are designed and tested to be compatible with your motorcycle. Please consider Genuine Yamaha Parts and Accessories before making a purchase. Use of non-Yamaha-approved accessories or replacement parts may cause loss of handling stability and riding safety. Since Yamaha cannot control the quality of accessories or parts manufactured by other companies, Yamaha cannot be held lia-
ble for any consequences caused by the use of items which have not been approved by Yamaha.

Clutch lever free play
Since this model is equipped with a hydraulic clutch, adjusting the clutch lever free play is not needed. However, it is necessary to check the clutch fluid level and check the hydraulic system for leakage before each ride. If the clutch lever free play does become excessive, and shifting becomes rough or clutch slippage occurs, causing poor acceleration, there may be air in the clutch system. If there is air in the hydraulic system, have a Yamaha dealer bleed the system before operating the motorcycle.
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Adjusting the brake lever free play

The brake lever free play should be measured as 2-5 mm (0.08-0.20 in) as shown. Periodically check the brake lever free play and, if necessary, adjust it as follows.

1. Loosen the locknut at the brake lever.
2. To increase the brake lever free play, turn the adjusting bolt in direction (a). To decrease the brake lever free play, turn the adjusting bolt in direction (b).

3. Tighten the locknut.

**WARNING**

- After adjusting the brake lever free play, check the free play and make sure that the brake is working properly.
- A soft or spongy feeling in the brake lever can indicate the presence of air in the hydraulic system. If there is air in the hydraulic system, have a Yamaha dealer bleed the system before operating the motorcycle. Air in the hydraulic system will diminish the braking performance, which may result in loss of control and an accident.

Adjusting the brake pedal position

The top of the brake pedal should be positioned approximately 20 mm (0.8 in) below the top of the footrest as shown. Periodically check the brake pedal position and, if necessary, have a Yamaha dealer adjust it.
A soft or spongy feeling in the brake pedal can indicate the presence of air in the hydraulic system. If there is air in the hydraulic system, have a Yamaha dealer bleed the system before operating the motorcycle. Air in the hydraulic system will diminish the braking performance, which may result in loss of control and an accident.

**Adjusting the rear brake light switch**

The rear brake light switch, which is activated by the brake pedal, is properly adjusted when the brake light comes on just before braking takes effect. If necessary, adjust the brake light switch as follows.

Turn the adjusting nut while holding the rear brake light switch in place. To make the brake light come on earlier, turn the adjusting nut in direction ③. To make the brake light come on later, turn the adjusting nut in direction ④.

**Checking the front and rear brake pads**

The front and rear brake pads must be checked for wear at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart. Each brake pad is provided with a wear indicator, which allows you to check the brake pad wear without having to disassemble the brake. To check the brake pad wear, check the position of the wear indicator while applying the brake. If a brake pad has worn to the point that the wear indicator almost touches the brake disc, have a Yamaha dealer replace the brake pads as a set.
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Checking the brake fluid level
Insufficient brake fluid may allow air to enter the brake or clutch systems, possibly causing them to become ineffective.

Before riding, check that the brake fluid is above the minimum level mark and replenish if necessary. A low brake fluid level may indicate worn brake pads and/or brake system leakage. If the brake level is low, be sure to check the brake pads for wear and the brake system for leakage.

NOTE: To check the rear brake fluid level, remove panel B. (See page 6-9 for panel removal and installation procedures.)

Observe these precautions:
- When checking the fluid level, make sure that the top of the master cylinder is level by turning the handlebars.
- Use only the recommended quality brake fluid, otherwise the rubber seals may deteriorate, causing leakage and poor braking or clutch performance.

Recommended brake fluid: DOT 4

- Refill with the same type of brake fluid. Mixing fluids may result in a harmful chemical reaction and lead to poor braking or clutch performance.
- The diaphragm will lose its shape from the negative pressure if the brake fluid level goes down too far. Be sure to put the diaphragm back in its original shape before installing it into the master cylinder.
- Be careful that water does not enter the master cylinder when refilling. Water will significantly lower the boiling point of the fluid and may result in vapor lock.
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- Brake fluid may deteriorate painted surfaces or plastic parts. Always clean up spilled fluid immediately.
- As the brake pads wear, it is normal for the brake fluid level to gradually go down. However, if the brake fluid level goes down suddenly, have a Yamaha dealer check the cause.

### Changing the brake fluid

Have a Yamaha dealer change the brake fluid at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart. In addition, have the oil seals of the brake master cylinder and caliper as well as the brake hose replaced at the intervals listed below or whenever they are damaged or leaking.

- Oil seals: Replace every two years.
- Brake hose: Replace every four years.

### Checking and lubricating the cables

The operation of all control cables and the condition of the cables should be checked before each ride, and the cables and cable ends should be lubricated if necessary. If a cable is damaged or does not move smoothly, have a Yamaha dealer check or replace it.

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<td>Yamaha Chain and Cable Lube or engine oil SAE 10W-30 (API SE)</td>
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**WARNING**

Damage to the outer housing of cables may result in internal rusting and cause interference with cable movement. Replace damaged cables as soon as possible to prevent unsafe conditions.
Checking and lubricating the throttle grip and cable
The operation of the throttle grip and the condition of the throttle cable should be checked before each ride, and the cable should be lubricated or replaced if necessary.

**NOTE:**
Since the throttle grip must be removed to access the throttle cable end, the throttle grip and the cable should always be lubricated at the same time.

1. Remove the throttle grip by removing the screws.
2. Disconnect the throttle cable, hold it up, and then apply several drops of oil to the cable end, allowing it to trickle into the sheath.
3. Connect the throttle cable, and then grease the inside of the throttle grip housing.
4. Grease the metal-to-metal contact surface of the throttle grip, and then install the grip by installing the screws.

**Recommended lubricant:**
- Throttle cable:
  - Yamaha Chain and Cable Lube or engine oil
  - SAE 10W-30
- Throttle grip housing and grip:
  - Lithium-soap-based grease (all-purpose grease)

Checking and lubricating the brake and shift pedals
The operation of the brake and shift pedals should be checked before each ride, and the pedal pivots should be lubricated if necessary.

**Recommended lubricant:**
- Lithium-soap-based grease (all-purpose grease)
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Checking and lubricating the brake and clutch levers
The operation of the brake and clutch levers should be checked before each ride, and the lever pivots should be lubricated if necessary.

Recommended lubricant:
Lithium-soap-based grease (all-purpose grease)

Checking and lubricating the centerstand and sidestand
The operation of the centerstand and sidestand should be checked before each ride, and the pivots and metal-to-metal contact surfaces should be lubricated if necessary.

⚠️ WARNING ⚠️
If the centerstand or sidestand does not move up and down smoothly, have a Yamaha dealer check or repair it.
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Lubricating the rear suspension
The pivoting points of the rear suspension must be lubricated at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart.

Recommended lubricant:
Lithium-soap-based grease (all-purpose grease)

Checking the front fork
The condition and operation of the front fork must be checked as follows at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart.

To check the condition

**WARNING**

Securely support the motorcycle so that there is no danger of it falling over.

Check the inner tubes for scratches, damage and excessive oil leakage.

1. Place the motorcycle on a level surface and hold it in an upright position.
2. While applying the front brake, push down hard on the handlebars several times to check if the front fork compresses and rebounds smoothly.

**CAUTION**

If any damage is found or the front fork does not operate smoothly, have a Yamaha dealer check or repair it.
Checking the steering

Worn or loose steering bearings may cause danger. Therefore, the operation of the steering must be checked as follows at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart.

1. Place a stand under the engine to raise the front wheel off the ground.

2. Hold the lower ends of the front fork legs and try to move them forward and backward. If any free play can be felt, have a Yamaha dealer check or repair the steering.

WARNING

Securely support the motorcycle so that there is no danger of it falling over.
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Checking the wheel bearings
The front and rear wheel bearings must be checked at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart. If there is play in the wheel hub or if the wheel does not turn smoothly, have a Yamaha dealer check the wheel bearings.

Battery
A poorly maintained battery will corrode and discharge quickly. The electrolyte level, battery lead connections and breather hose routing should be checked before each ride and at the intervals specified in the periodic maintenance and lubrication chart.

To check the electrolyte level
1. Place the motorcycle on a level surface and hold it in an upright position.

NOTE: Make sure that the motorcycle is positioned straight up when checking the electrolyte level.

2. Check the electrolyte level in the battery.

NOTE: The electrolyte should be between the minimum and maximum level marks.
3. If the electrolyte is at or below the minimum level mark, continue with the following steps.

1. Bolt (x 2)
2. Screw (x 2)

4. Remove the rider seat. (See page 3-9 for rider seat removal and installation procedures.)

5. Disconnect the negative battery lead from the battery.

6. Disconnect the positive battery lead and the starter motor lead from the starter motor relay.

7. Remove the ignition coil assemblies by removing the bolts.

8. Add distilled water to raise the electrolyte to the maximum level mark.
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**WARNING**

- Electrolyte is poisonous and dangerous since it contains sulfuric acid, which causes severe burns. Avoid any contact with skin, eyes or clothing and always shield your eyes when working near batteries. In case of contact, administer the following FIRST AID.
  - EXTERNAL: Flush with plenty of water.
  - INTERNAL: Drink large quantities of water or milk and immediately call a physician.
  - EYES: Flush with water for 15 minutes and seek prompt medical attention.

- Batteries produce explosive hydrogen gas. Therefore, keep sparks, flames, cigarettes, etc., away from the battery and provide sufficient ventilation when charging it in an enclosed space.

**KEEP THIS AND ALL BATTERIES OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN.**

**CAUTION:**

Use only distilled water, as tap water contains minerals that are harmful to the battery.

1. Battery
2. Battery breather hose
3. Pass through the cable guide.

9. Check and, if necessary, correct the breather hose routing.
10. Install the ignition coil assemblies by installing the bolts.
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1. Battery positive lead (red)
2. Starter motor lead (black)

11. Connect and tighten the positive battery lead and the starter motor lead to the starter motor relay.

To store the battery
1. If the motorcycle will not be used for more than one month, remove the battery, fully charge it, and then place it in a cool, dry place.
2. If the battery will be stored for more than two months, check the specific gravity of the electrolyte at least once a month and fully charge the battery whenever necessary.
3. Fully charge the battery before installation.

CAUTION:
If the breather hose is positioned in such a way that the frame is exposed to electrolyte or gas expelled from the battery, the frame could suffer structural and external damages.

4. After installation, make sure that the battery leads are properly connected to the battery terminals and that the breather hose is properly routed, in good condition, and not obstructed.

WARNING
Pass the positive battery lead and starter lead through the hole in the ignition coil bracket as shown. Improper routing of these leads could bring about a short circuit, causing the engine and lights to fail and possibly resulting in an accident.

12. Connect and tighten the negative battery lead to the battery.
13. Install the rider seat.
Replacing the fuses

The main fuse box is located under the rider seat. (See page 3-9 for rider seat removal and installation procedures.)

The fuse box, which contains the fuses for the individual circuits, is located under cowling A. (See page 6-8 for cowling removal and installation procedures.)

If a fuse is blown, replace it as follows.

1. Turn the key to "OFF" and turn off the electrical circuit in question.
2. Remove the blown fuse, and then install a new fuse of the specified amperage.
3. Turn the key to "ON" and turn on the electrical circuit in question to check if the device operates.
4. If the fuse immediately blows again, have a Yamaha dealer check the electrical system.

Specified fuses:

- Main fuse: 30A
- Headlight fuse: 15A
- Signaling system fuse: 10A
- Radiator fan fuse: 10A
- Ignition fuse: 10A

**CAUTION:**

Do not use a fuse of a higher amperage rating than recommended to avoid causing extensive damage to the electrical system and possibly a fire.
Replacing the headlight bulb

This motorcycle is equipped with a quartz bulb headlight. If the headlight bulb burns out, replace it as follows.

1. Remove the headlight unit by removing the screws.
2. Disconnect the headlight coupler, and then remove the headlight unit and bulb cover.

3. Remove the headlight bulb holder by turning it counterclockwise, and then remove the defective bulb.

**WARNING**

Headlight bulbs get very hot. Therefore, keep flammable products away from a lit headlight bulb, and do not touch the bulb until it has cooled down.

4. Place a new bulb into position, and then secure it with the bulb holder.

5. Install the bulb cover, and then connect the coupler.
6. Install the headlight unit by installing the screws.
7. Have a Yamaha dealer adjust the headlight beam if necessary.
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Replacing a turn signal light bulb or the tail/brake light bulb

1. Remove the lens by removing the screws.
2. Remove the defective bulb by pushing it in and turning it counterclockwise.
3. Insert a new bulb into the socket, push it in, and then turn it clockwise until it stops.
4. Install the lens by installing the screws.

**CAUTION:**
Do not overtighten the screws, otherwise the lens may break.
Front wheel

To remove the front wheel

**WARNING**
- It is advisable to have a Yamaha dealer service the wheel.
- Securely support the motorcycle so that there is no danger of it falling over.

1. Place the motorcycle on the centerstand.
2. Disconnect the speedometer cable from the front wheel.
3. Remove the brake caliper by removing the bolts.

**CAUTION!**
Do not pull the brake lever after the brake caliper has been removed, otherwise the brake pads will be forced shut.

4. Loosen the front wheel axle pinch bolt, then the wheel axle.
5. Pull the wheel axle out, and then remove the wheel.

To install the front wheel

1. Install the speedometer gear unit into the wheel hub so that the projections mesh with the slots.
2. Lift the wheel up between the fork legs.

NOTE: Make sure that there is enough space between the brake pads before installing the brake calipers onto the brake discs.

6. Tighten the front wheel axle pinch bolt, then the wheel axle, and the brake caliper bolts to the specified torques.

Tightening torques:
- Wheel axle: 58 Nm (5.8 m-k, 42 ft.lb)
- Front wheel axle pinch bolt: 20 Nm (2.0 m-k, 14 ft.lb)
- Brake caliper bolt: 40 Nm (4.0 m-k, 29 ft.lb)

7. Connect the speedometer cable.
8. Push down hard on the handlebar several times to check for proper fork operation.

NOTE: Make sure that the slot in the speedometer gear unit fits over the retainer on the fork leg.

3. Insert the wheel axle.

4. Take the motorcycle off the centerstand so that the front wheel is on the ground.

5. Install the brake calipers by installing the bolts.

Rear wheel

To remove the rear wheel

WARNING
- It is advisable to have a Yamaha dealer service the wheel.
- Securely support the motorcycle so that there is no danger of it falling over.
1. Pinch bolt

1. Loosen the rear wheel axle pinch bolt, then the axle nut.

2. Place the motorcycle on the centerstand.

3. Remove the brake caliper bolts and the axle nut.

4. Disconnect the brake torque rod from the brake caliper bracket by removing the cotter pin, the nut, and the bolt.

5. While supporting the brake caliper, pull the wheel axle out.

6. Remove the brake caliper bracket and spacer.

7. Pull the wheel to the right to separate it from the final gear case, and then remove it.

**CAUTION:**
Do not push the brake pedal after the wheel has been removed together with the brake disc, otherwise the brake pads will be forced shut.
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To install the rear wheel

1. Apply a light coating of lithium-soap-based grease to the splines of the final gear case and wheel hub.
2. Install the wheel, brake caliper bracket, spacer and wheel axle.
3. Install the brake caliper by installing the bolts.

NOTE: Make sure that there is enough space between the brake pads before installing the brake caliper onto the brake disc.

4. Install the brake torque rod bolt and nut at the brake caliper bracket.
5. Install the rear wheel axle nut.
6. Take the motorcycle off the centerstand so that the rear wheel is on the ground.
7. Tighten the axle nut, brake caliper bolts, brake torque rod nut, and pinch bolt to the specified torques.

Tightening torques:

- Axle nut: 150 Nm (15.0 m-kg, 108 ft.lb)
- Brake caliper bolt: 40 Nm (4.0 m-kg, 29 ft.lb)
- Brake torque rod nut: 48 Nm (4.8 m-kg, 35 ft.lb)
- Rear wheel axle pinch bolt: 16 Nm (1.6 m-kg, 11 ft.lb)

8. Install the brake torque rod cotter pin.

Troubleshooting

Although Yamaha motorcycles receive a thorough inspection before shipment from the factory, trouble may occur during operation. Any problem in the fuel, compression, or ignition systems, for example, can cause poor starting and loss of power.

The following troubleshooting charts represent quick and easy procedures for checking these vital systems yourself. However, should your motorcycle require any repair, take it to a Yamaha dealer, whose skilled technicians have the necessary tools, experience, and know-how to service the motorcycle properly.

Use only genuine Yamaha replacement parts. Imitation parts may look like Yamaha parts, but they are often inferior, have a shorter service life and can lead to expensive repair bills.

Always use a new cotter pin.
Troubleshooting charts
Starting problems or poor engine performance

**WARNING**
Keep away open flames and do not smoke while checking or working on the fuel system.

1. **Fuel**
   - Check the fuel level in the fuel tank.
     - There is enough fuel. → Check the compression.
     - There is no fuel. → Supply fuel.

2. **Compression**
   - Operate the electric starter.
     - There is compression. → Check the ignition.
     - There is no compression. → Have a Yamaha dealer check the vehicle.

3. **Ignition**
   - Remove the spark plugs and check the electrodes.
     - Wet → Wipe off with a dry cloth and correct the spark plug gaps, or replace the spark plugs.
     - Dry → Have a Yamaha dealer check the vehicle.

4. **Battery**
   - Operate the electric starter.
     - The engine turns over quickly. → The battery is good.
     - The engine turns over slowly. → Check the electrolyte and battery lead connections, and charge the battery if necessary.
     - The engine does not start. → Have a Yamaha dealer check the vehicle.
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Engine overheating

WARNING

- Do not remove the radiator cap when the engine and radiator are hot. Scalding hot fluid and steam may be blown out under pressure, which could cause serious injury. Be sure to wait until the engine has cooled.
- After removing the radiator cap retaining bolt, place a thick rag, like a towel, over the radiator cap, and then slowly rotate the cap counterclockwise to the detent to allow any residual pressure to escape. When the hissing sound has stopped, press down on the cap while turning it counterclockwise, and then remove the cap.

NOTE:

If coolant is not available, tap water can be temporarily used instead, provided that it is changed to the recommended coolant as soon as possible.
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Care
While the open design of a motorcycle reveals the attractiveness of the technology, it also makes it more vulnerable. Rust and corrosion can develop even if high-quality components are used. A rusty exhaust pipe may go unnoticed on a car, however, it detracts from the overall appearance of a motorcycle. Frequent and proper care does not only comply with the terms of the warranty, but it will also keep your motorcycle looking good, extend its life and optimize its performance.

Before cleaning
1. Cover the muffler outlets with plastic bags after the engine has cooled down.
2. Make sure that all caps and covers as well as all electrical couplers and connectors, including the spark plug caps, are tightly installed.
3. Remove extremely stubborn dirt, like oil burnt onto the crankcase, with a degreasing agent and a brush, but never apply such products onto seals, gaskets and wheel axles. Always rinse the dirt and degreaser off with water.

Cleaning

- Avoid using strong acidic wheel cleaners, especially on spoked wheels. If such products are used on hard-to-remove dirt, do not leave the cleaner on the affected area any longer than instructed. Also, thoroughly rinse the area off with water, immediately dry it, and then apply a corrosion protection spray.
- Improper cleaning can damage windshields, cowlings, panels and other plastic parts. Use only a soft, clean cloth or sponge with mild detergent and water to clean plastic.
- Do not use any harsh chemical products on plastic parts. Be sure to avoid using cloths or sponges which have been in contact with strong or abrasive cleaning products, solvent or thinner, fuel (gasoline), rust removers or inhibitors, brake fluid, antifreeze or electrolyte.

- Do not use high-pressure washers or steam-jet cleaners since they cause water seepage and deterioration in the following areas: seals (of wheel and swing-arm bearings, fork and brakes), electric components (couplers, connectors, instruments, switches and lights), breather hoses and vents.

- For motorcycles equipped with a windshield: Do not use strong cleaners or hard sponges as they will cause dulling or scratching. Some cleaning compounds for plastic may leave scratches on the windshield. Test the product on a small hidden part of the windshield to make sure that it does not leave any marks. If the windshield is scratched, use a quality plastic polishing compound after washing.

- After normal use
  Remove dirt with warm water, a mild detergent, and a soft, clean sponge, and then rinse thoroughly with clean water. Use a toothbrush or bottlebrush for hard-to-reach areas. Stubborn dirt and insects will come off more easily if the area is covered with a wet cloth for a few minutes before cleaning.

- After riding in the rain, near the sea or on salt-sprayed roads
  Since sea salt or salt sprayed on roads during winter are extremely corrosive in combination with water, carry out the following steps after each ride in the rain, near the sea or on salt-sprayed roads.

  **NOTE:**
  Salt sprayed on roads in the winter may remain well into spring.

1. Clean the motorcycle with cold water and a mild detergent, after the engine has cooled down.

2. After drying the motorcycle, apply a corrosion protection spray on all metal, including chrome- and nickel-plated, surfaces to prevent corrosion.

  **CAUTION:**
  Do not use warm water since it increases the corrosive action of the salt.

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After cleaning
1. Dry the motorcycle with a chamois or an absorbing cloth.
2. Use a chrome polish to shine chrome, aluminum and stainless-steel parts, including the exhaust system. (Even the thermally induced discoloring of stainless-steel exhaust systems can be removed through polishing.)
3. To prevent corrosion, it is recommended to apply a corrosion protection spray on all metal, including chrome- and nickel-plated, surfaces.
4. Use spray oil as a universal cleaner to remove any remaining dirt.
5. Touch up minor paint damage caused by stones, etc.
6. Wax all painted surfaces.
7. Let the motorcycle dry completely before storing or covering it.

WARNING
- Make sure that there is no oil or wax on the brakes or tires.
- If necessary, clean the brake discs and brake linings with a regular brake disc cleaner or acetone, and wash the tires with warm water and a mild detergent. Before riding at higher speeds, test the motorcycle’s braking performance and cornering behavior.

CAUTION:
- Apply spray oil and wax sparingly and make sure to wipe off any excess.
- Never apply oil or wax to any rubber and plastic parts, but treat them with a suitable care product.
- Avoid using abrasive polishing compounds as they will wear away the paint.

NOTE: Consult a Yamaha dealer for advice on what products to use.
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Storage

Short-term
Always store your motorcycle in a cool, dry place and, if necessary, protect it against dust with a porous cover.

**CAUTION:**
- Storing the motorcycle in a poorly ventilated room or covering it with a tarp, while it is still wet, will allow water and humidity to seep in and cause rust.
- To prevent corrosion, avoid damp cellars, stables (because of the presence of ammonia) and areas where strong chemicals are stored.

Long-term
Before storing your motorcycle for several months:

1. Follow all the instructions in the “Care” section of this chapter.
2. For motorcycles equipped with a fuel cock that has an “OFF” position: Turn the fuel cock lever to “OFF”.
3. Drain the carburetor float chambers by loosening the drain bolts; this will prevent fuel deposits from building up. Pour the drained fuel into the fuel tank.
4. Fill up the fuel tank and add fuel stabilizer (if available) to prevent the fuel tank from rusting and the fuel from deteriorating.
5. Perform the following steps to protect the cylinders, piston rings, etc. from corrosion.

- a. Remove the spark plug caps and spark plugs.
- b. Pour a teaspoonful of engine oil into each spark plug bore.
- c. Install the spark plug caps onto the spark plugs, and then place the spark plugs on the cylinder head so that the electrodes are grounded. (This will limit sparking during the next step.)
- d. Turn the engine over several times with the starter. (This will coat the cylinder walls with oil.)
- e. Remove the spark plug caps from the spark plugs, and then install the spark plugs and the spark plug caps.

**WARNING**
To prevent damage or injury from sparking, make sure to ground the spark plug electrodes while turning the engine over.
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6. Lubricate all control cables and the pivoting points of all levers and pedals as well as of the sidestand/centerstand.

7. Check and, if necessary, correct the tire air pressure, and then lift the motorcycle so that both of its wheels are off the ground. Alternatively, turn the wheels a little every month in order to prevent the tires from becoming degraded in one spot.

8. Cover the muffler outlets with plastic bags to prevent moisture from entering them.

9. Remove the battery and fully charge it. Store it in a cool, dry place and charge it once a month. Do not store the battery in an excessively cold or warm place [less than 0 °C (30 °F) or more than 30 °C (90 °F)]. For more information on storing the battery, see page 6-38.

NOTE: Make any necessary repairs before storing the motorcycle.
## Specifications

### Model

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Dimensions</th>
<th>VMX12/VMX12C</th>
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<tr>
<td>Overall length</td>
<td>2,300 mm (90.6 in)</td>
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<td>Overall width</td>
<td>795 mm (31.3 in)</td>
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<td>Overall height</td>
<td>1,160 mm (45.7 in)</td>
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<td>Seat height</td>
<td>765 mm (30.1 in)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wheelbase</td>
<td>1,590 mm (62.6 in)</td>
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<td>Ground clearance</td>
<td>145 mm (5.7 in)</td>
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<td>Minimum turning radius</td>
<td>2,900 mm (114.2 in)</td>
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### Basic weight (with oil and full fuel tank)

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<th>Model</th>
<th>Weight</th>
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<tr>
<td>VMX12</td>
<td>283 kg (624 lb)</td>
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<tr>
<td>VMX12C</td>
<td>284 kg (626 lb)</td>
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### Engine

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<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Liquid-cooled 4-stroke, DOHC</th>
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<td>Cylinder arrangement</td>
<td>V type, 4-cylinder</td>
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<tr>
<td>Displacement</td>
<td>1,198 cm³</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bore x stroke</td>
<td>76 x 66 mm (3.0 x 2.6 in)</td>
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<td>Compression ratio</td>
<td>10.5:1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Starting system</td>
<td>Electric starter</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lubrication system</td>
<td>Wet sump</td>
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### Engine oil

#### Type

- API Service SE, SF, SG type or higher

#### Recommended engine oil classification

- YAMALUBE 4 (10W-30)
- SAE 10W-30

#### Quantity

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<th>Without oil filter cartridge</th>
<th>With oil filter cartridge</th>
<th>Total amount (dry engine)</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>3.2 L (2.8 Imp qt, 3.4 US qt)</td>
<td>3.4 L (3.0 Imp qt, 3.6 US qt)</td>
<td>4.0 L (3.5 Imp qt, 4.2 US qt)</td>
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#### CAUTION:

Be sure to use motor oils that do not contain anti-friction modifiers. Passenger car motor oils (often labeled “Energy Conserving”) contain anti-friction additives which will cause clutch and/or starter clutch slippage, resulting in reduced component life and poor engine performance.
### Final gear oil

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<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>SAE80API “GL-4” Hypoid gear oil</th>
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<tr>
<td>Quantity</td>
<td>0.2 L (0.18 Imp qt, 0.21 US qt)</td>
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### Cooling system capacity (total amount)

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<th>Air filter</th>
<th>3.05 L (2.68 Imp qt, 3.22 US qt)</th>
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<td>Fuel</td>
<td>Dry type element</td>
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### Fuel

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<th>Unleaded fuel</th>
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<td>Fuel tank capacity</td>
<td>15 L (3.3 Imp gal, 4.0 US gal)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fuel reserve amount</td>
<td>3 L (0.7 Imp gal, 0.8 US gal)</td>
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### Carburetor

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<tr>
<th>Manufacturer</th>
<th>MIKUNI</th>
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<td>Model x quantity</td>
<td>BDS35 x 4</td>
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### Spark plug

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<th>Manufacturer/model</th>
<th>DPR8EA-9 / NGK or X24EPR-U9 / DENS0</th>
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<tr>
<td>Gap</td>
<td>0.8-0.9 mm (0.03-0.04 in)</td>
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### Clutch type

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<th>Type</th>
<th>Wet, multiple-disc</th>
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### Transmission

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<th>Spur gear</th>
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<td>1.775</td>
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<tr>
<td>Secondary reduction system</td>
<td>Shaft drive</td>
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<td>Secondary reduction ratio</td>
<td>2.851</td>
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<td>Transmission type</td>
<td>Constant-mesh, 5-speed</td>
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### Operation

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<td>1.772</td>
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### Chassis

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<th>Double cradle</th>
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<td>Caster angle</td>
<td>29°</td>
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<td>Trail</td>
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### Tires

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<th>Tubeless</th>
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<td>110/90-18 61V</td>
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<td>Bridgestone / G525AW</td>
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<td>Rear</td>
<td>Tubeless</td>
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<td>Manufacturer/model</td>
<td>Dunlop / F20</td>
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<tr>
<td>Size</td>
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<td>Dunlop K525</td>
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### Maximum load*

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<th>Load</th>
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<tr>
<td>VMX12</td>
<td>216 kg (476 lb)</td>
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<td>VMX12C</td>
<td>215 kg (474 lb)</td>
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### Tire air pressure (measured on cold tires)

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<td>Up to 90 kg (198 lb)*</td>
<td>225 kPa (2.25 kgf/cm², 33 psi)</td>
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<td>90 kg (198 lb)-maximum*</td>
<td>225 kPa (2.25 kgf/cm², 33 psi)</td>
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### High-speed riding

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<td>225 kPa (2.25 kgf/cm², 33 psi)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rear</td>
<td>225 kPa (2.25 kgf/cm², 33 psi)</td>
<td>250 kPa (2.50 kgf/cm², 36 psi)</td>
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* Total weight of rider, passenger, cargo and accessories

### Wheels

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<tr>
<td>Type</td>
<td>Cast wheel</td>
<td>Cast wheel</td>
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<td>Size</td>
<td>18 x MT2.15</td>
<td>15M/C x MT 3.50</td>
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### Brakes

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<td>Type</td>
<td>Dual disc brake</td>
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### Brakes

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<td>Type</td>
<td>Single disc brake</td>
<td>Single disc brake</td>
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<td>Operation Fluid</td>
<td>Right foot</td>
<td>DOT 4</td>
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### Suspension

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<td>Operation Fluid</td>
<td>Telescopic fork</td>
<td>Swingarm</td>
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### Spring/shock absorber

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<td>Type</td>
<td>Telescopic fork</td>
<td>Swingarm</td>
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### Wheel travel

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<th>Front</th>
<th>Rear</th>
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<tr>
<td>Wheel travel</td>
<td>140 mm (5.5 in)</td>
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### Electrical system

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<th>Charging system</th>
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<td>Type</td>
<td>T.C.I. (digital)</td>
<td>A.C. magneto</td>
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<td>Standard output</td>
<td>14 V, 22.5 A @ 5,000 r/min</td>
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### Battery

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<th>YB16AL-A2</th>
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<td>Voltage, capacity</td>
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### Headlight type

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<tr>
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<th>Quartz bulb (halogen)</th>
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### Bulb voltage, wattage x quantity

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<th>Light Type</th>
<th>Voltage</th>
<th>Wattage</th>
<th>Quantity</th>
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<tr>
<td>Headlight</td>
<td>12 V</td>
<td>60/55 W</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tail/brake light</td>
<td>12 V</td>
<td>8/27 W</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Front turn signal/position light</td>
<td>12 V</td>
<td>27/8 W</td>
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<td>Rear turn signal light</td>
<td>12 V</td>
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<td>Meter lighting</td>
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<td>Neutral indicator light</td>
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<td>High beam indicator light</td>
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<td>Turn signal indicator light</td>
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### Fuses

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<td>Main fuse</td>
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<td>Headlight fuse</td>
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<td>Signaling system fuse</td>
<td>10A</td>
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<td>Radiator fan fuse</td>
<td>10A</td>
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<td>Ignition fuse</td>
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CONSUMER INFORMATION

Identification numbers
Record the key identification number, vehicle identification number and model label information in the spaces provided below for assistance when ordering spare parts from a Yamaha dealer or for reference in case the vehicle is stolen.

1. KEY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:

2. VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:

3. MODEL LABEL INFORMATION:

Key identification number
The key identification number is stamped into the key. Record this number in the space provided and use it for reference when ordering a new key.

Vehicle identification number
The vehicle identification number is stamped into the steering head pipe. Record this number in the space provided.

NOTE:
The vehicle identification number is used to identify your motorcycle and may be used to register your motorcycle with the licensing authority in your area.
CONSUMER INFORMATION

Model label
The model label is affixed under cowling A. (See page 6-8 for cowling removal and installation procedures.) Record the information on this label in the space provided. This information will be needed when ordering spare parts from a Yamaha dealer.