

T-CLOCS CHECKLIST-Motorcycle Inspection

A pre-ride inspection helps keep your ride safe and trouble-free, ensure your motorcycle will run properly, prevents you from being stuck on the side of the road, and can also save you money. The best source of information is the motorcycle owner's manual. A pre-ride inspection should be as routine as brushing your teeth. A good method is call T-CLOCS, so a T-CLOCS inspection list is provided below. Each item should be checked before every ride.

- **T-Tires and Wheels**

- Tire tread depth above wear bar, no bulging or embedded objects, and profile not extreme (flat center on rear or triangulated front tire).
- Brake bolts visibly secure.
- Brake reservoir caps on tight.
- Brakes work (good feel, lever not sticky, or too soft indicating air in the brake lines).
- Air pressure.
- Spokes: bent, broken, loose, or missing.
- Seals: cracks, cut/torn, or excessive grease.
- Any cracked sidewalls or dented wheels.
- Axle nuts visibly secure.

- **C-Controls**

- Levers do not hit bodywork at either lock.
- Throttle not sticky (check at both locks).
- Cables.
- Hoses.
- Bars not loose.
- Proper clutch play; lever moves freely indicating cable or pivot is properly lubricated (some clutches hydraulic).
- Pegs and shifter secure and in good position (not extremely high or low for that rider's foot).

- **L-Lights and Mirrors**

- Headlight.
- Taillights and brake lights.
- Turn signals
- Switches
- Mirrors.

- **O-Oil and Other Fluids**

- Oil filler cap on tight; oil level OK.
- Radiator cap on tight; radiator fluid level OK.
- No oil/water/fluid leaks.
- Levels.

- **C-Chassis**

- Chain properly adjusted.
- No loose body work.
- Shock/fork action acceptable (not rock hard or butter soft). Fork seals good. Forks do not stick at one position and move freely.
- Suspension.
- Chain, belt, or driveshaft.
- Exhaust can properly attach.

- **S-Stands**

- Side stand (kickstand).
- Center stand.

Routine maintenance goes beyond a pre-ride inspection. Wear and tear is normal over time, and routine maintenance helps prevent the need for more costly corrective maintenance. The schedule for regular upkeep is provided in the motorcycle owner's manual.

Name:

Motorcycle Year/Make/Model:

Inspector's Name (Print)

Signature

Date