

4. After cleaning, rinse the motorcycle thoroughly with plenty of clean water. Detergent residue can corrode alloy parts.
5. Dry the motorcycle.
6. Start the engine and let it run for several minutes.
7. Test the brakes before riding the motorcycle. Several applications may be necessary to restore normal braking performance.

Braking efficiency may be temporarily impaired immediately after washing the motorcycle.

Anticipate longer stopping distances to avoid a possible accident.

Aluminum Wheel Maintenance

Aluminum may corrode from contact with dirt, mud, or road salt. Clean the wheels after riding through any of these substances. Use a wet sponge and mild detergent, or a commercially-available spray cleaner/degreaser designed for use on aluminum. Avoid stiff brushes, steel wool, or cleaners containing abrasives or harsh chemical compounds.

After washing, rinse with plenty of water and dry with a clean cloth. Then apply a mild, commercially-available spray cleaner/polish or wax.

For stained or dull-looking wheels, use a quality chrome/aluminum polish to restore the finish.

After you finish cleaning the wheels, it's important to check for and remove any cleaner or polish residue found on the brake discs or pads. Use Honda Contact/Brake Cleaner or an equivalent brake degreasing agent.