LOADING AND ACCESSORIES

A WARNING

To prevent an accident, use extreme care when adding and riding with accessories and cargo. Addition of accessories and cargo can reduce a motorcycle's stability, performance and safe operating speed. Never ride an accessory-equipped motorcycle at speeds above 80 mph. And remember that this 80 mph limit may be reduced by installation of non-Honda accessories, improper loading, worn tires and overall motorcycle condition, poor road or weather conditions. These general guidelines may help you decide whether or how to equip your motorcycle, and how to load it safely.

Loading

The combined weight of the rider, passenger, cargo and additional accessories must not exceed 170 kg (375 lbs), the vehicle capacity load. Cargo weight alone should not exceed 9 kg (20 lbs).

- Keep cargo and accessory weight low and close to the center of the motorcycle. Load weight equally on both sides to minimize imbalance. As weight is located farther from the motorcycle's center of gravity, handling is proportionally affected.
- Adjust tire pressure (pages 31-33), front suspension (page 16) and rear suspension (page 18) to suit load weight and riding conditions.
- All cargo and accessories must be secure for stable handling. Recheck cargo security and accessory mounts frequently.
- 4. Do not attach large or heavy items to the handlebars, front forks, or fender. Unstable handling or slow steering response may result.