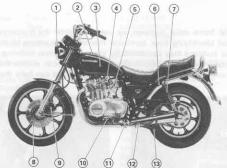
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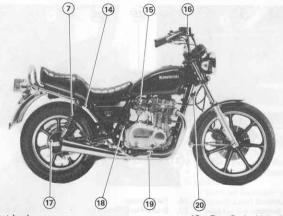
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- 4. Fuel Tap
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- B. Disc B. Caliper
- Shift Pedal

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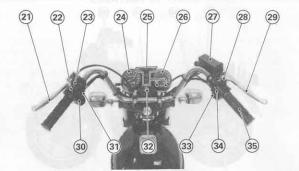
Rear Shock Absorber

- 11. Automatic Side Stand Return Mechanism
- 12. Side Stand
- 13. Center Stand



- 14. Seat Lock
- 15. Carburetors
- 16. Front Brake Light Switch
- 17. Brake Lining Wear Indicator

- Rear Brake Light Switch
   Rear Brake Pedal
- 20 Hear Brake Feda
- 20. Horn



- 21. Clutch Lever
- Dimmer Switch Automatic Turn Signal
- Cancel Switch
- 24. Speedometer
- Indicator Lights

- 26. Tachometer
- 27. Brake Fluid Reservoir 28. Engine Stop Switch
- 29 Front Brake Lever
  - Horn and Passing Button

- Turn Signal Switch 32. Ignition Switch
  - Starter Button
- 33. 34. Headlight Switch
- 35.
- Throttle Grip

is dangerously low or the ignition switch is in the ON position with OIL the engine not running, and goes off when the engine oil pressure is high enough. (Refer to the Maintenance and Adjustment section on Pg. 44 and 45 for more detailed information.) The brake light failure indicator light labeled "STOP LAMP", located on the lower part of the tachometer face, is used to detect brake light failure. If the brake light is functioning properly, the indicator light goes on whenever one or both brakes are applied, and goes off whenever the brake or brakes are released. If the brake light is not functioning properly, the light will still go on STOP LAMP whenever one or both brakes are applied; however, when neither brake is applied, the light will flash on and off indicating that the brake light circuit or the brake light itself is faulty. If the indicator light does not go on when a brake is applied, one of the brake switches, the indicator light switch under the fuel tank.

circuit is interrupted.

The red oil pressure warning light goes on whenever the oil pressure

or the indicator light itself is not functioning properly, or the ground

LEAD CONTENT the Research Octane No. (RON) and the Your Kawasaki engine is designed to Motor Octane No. (MON). The Antiknock use unleaded gasoline, which offers ex-Index is posted on service station pumps tended spark plug life compared to leaded in the U.S.A. Research Octane No. is a gasolines. Low lead, leaded regular, or commonly used term describing a gasopremium gasolines can be used with some line's octane rating. reduction in spark plug life.

The octane rating of a gasoline is a measure of its resistance to detonation or "knocking". Use a gasoline with an octane rating equal to or higher than that shown in the table below.

Fuel Requirements

OCTANE RATING

the engine is stopped in the ON or RES

Fuel Tap

The fuel tap is an automatic type which shuts off the fuel supply when

The Antiknock Index is an average of

position. The fuel tap has three positions: ON, RES (reserve), and PRI (prime), If

the fuel runs out with the tap in the ON

Minimum Octane Rating Method Rating Antiknock Index (RON + MON) 87 Research Octane No. (RON) 91

The first 1,600 km (1,000 mi) that the motorcycle is ridden is designated as the break-in period. If the motorcycle is not used carefully during this period, you may very well end up with a "broken down" instead of a "broken in" motorcycle after a few

The following rules should be observed during the break-in period.

The table shows maximum recommended engine rpm (r/min) during the break-in period.

Distance traveled	Maximum engine rpm (r/min)
0~800 km (0~500 mi)	4,000 rpm (r/min)
800 ~ 1.600 km (500 ~ 1.000 mi)	6.000 rpm (r/min)

thousand kilometers.

procedures in the Service Manual.

•Do not start moving or race the engine immediately after starting it, even if the engine is already warm. Bun the engine for two or three minutes at idle speed to give the oil a chance to work up into all the engine parts.

•Do not race the engine while the gears are in neutral. In addition to the above, at 800 km (500 mi) it is extremely important that the owner have the initial maintenance service performed by a competent mechanic following the

## Periodic Maintenance Chart

Valve clearance-check †

Operation	windsver comes first seems fir								
Battery electrolyte level-check 1	month								78
Brake adjustment-check #					. 0				63
Brake wear-check 1	-								62,64
Brake fluid level-check †	month								61
*Brake fluid-change	year								61
Clutch-adjust									55
Carburetors-adjust									54
Throttle cable(s)-adjust									52
Steering play-check †									65
Drive chain wear-check †									60
Front fork-inspect/clean									66
Rear shock absorbers—inspect									67
Nuts, bolts, fasteners—check and torque				0					92
Construction along and and a		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	475

\*\*Odometer Reading km (mi)

Operation	Every	100	5/50	0,00	120	145	1/42	1,25	Page
Air cleaner element—clean	0.001								50
Air cleaner element-replace	5 clean	ings							52
Fuel system-clean									84
Tire tread wear-check t									69
Engine oil-change	year								45
Oil filter-replace		10							45
General lubrication-perform									87
*Front fork oil-change									66
Timing advancer-lubricate									91
*Swing arm—lubricate									91
*Wheel bearings—grease	2 years								91
*Speedometer gear housing-grease	2 years								91

Whichever comes first

Frequency

\*Brake camshaft-grease

Drive chain-lubricate

\*Steering stem bearings-grease

tReplace, add or adjust if necessary.

\*\*Odometer Reading km (mi)

91

87

58

80 83 83 83 83 83 83 83

2 years

2 years Every 300 km (200 mi)

Drive chain—adjust Every 800 km (500 mi)

<sup>\*</sup>Should be serviced by an authorized Kawasaki Dealer.

<sup>\*\*</sup>For higher odometer readings, repeat at the frequency interval established here.

#### TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE Engine doesn't start OCylinder head not sufficiently tighten-No fuel in tank ed down Throttle opened with choke on (cold) No spark to plug Fuel not reaching carburetors OPlugs dirty or defective Fuel tap obstructed or defective OHigh tension wire defective Flooded

Starter motor not rotating Battery voltage low Relay not contacting or operating

Starter defective Starter clutch not operating Compression leakage

OCylinder wear

Piston ring trouble

Valve trouble Spark plugs loose Engine stops No fuel Fuel tap cloqued

•Fuel tank cap air vents obstructed Carburetors defective or maladjusted Overheating

Engine oil low

Olncorrect spark plugs Carburetors adjusted too lean

Carbon built up in combustion chamber OCylinder head not sufficiently tighten-Clutch slipping ed down ·Mixture too rich or too lean ·Clutch slipping OCarburetors defective or maladjusted Clutch maladjusted or assembled wrong Clutch parts worn Carburetor link mechanism loose Air cleaner cloqued or damaged Engine oil incorrect Carburetor or fuel pipe cloqued OIntake manifold loose or damaged •Mixture too rich or too lean (see above) •Incorrect firing No power Spark plug defective Compression leakage Clanition coil defective Cylinder wear Piston ring trouble Valve trouble Spark plugs loose

#### Engine Oil

In order for the engine, transmission, and clutch to function properly, maintain the engine oil at the proper level, and change the oil in accordance with the Periodic Maintenance Chart (Pg. 43).

WARNING Motorcycle operation with insufficient, deteriorated, or contaminated engine oil will cause accelerated wear and may result in engine or transmission seizure, accident, and injury.

#### Oil Level

- Situate the motorcycle so that it is perpendicular to the ground (on its center stand).
- stand).

  If the oil has just been changed, start the engine and run it for several minutes at
- idle speed. This fills the oil filter with oil. Stop the engine, then wait several minutes until the oil settles.

CAUTION Run the engine at idle speed at least until the oil pressure warning light turns off. Racing the engine before the oil reaches every



- 1. Oil Pressure Warning Light
- If the motorcycle has just been used, wait several minutes for all the oil to drain down.
- Check the engine oil level through the oil level gauge in the lower right side of

the engine. With the motorcycle held level or on the center stand, the oil level should come up between the lines next to the gauge.



- 2. Upper Level Line
- olf the oil level is too high, remove the excess oil, using a syringe or some other suitable device
- olf the oil level is too low, add the correct amount of oil through the oil filler

opening. Use the same type and make of oil that is already in the engine.

If the engine oil gets extremely low or if the oil pump or oil passages clog up or otherwise do not function properly, the red oil pressure warning light in the indicator light panel will light. If this light stays on when the engine speed is above 1,500 rpm (r/min), stop the engine immediately and find the cause.

WARNING If the engine is run without oil, it will be severely damaged. In addition, the engine may suddenly seize, locking the rear wheel and causing an accident if the clutch lever is not pulled in fast enough.

## Engine Oil and Oil Filter Change

The engine oil and oil filter must be changed periodically (Pg. 43) to ensure long engine life. Not only do dirt and metal particles collect in the oil, but the oil itself loses its lubricative quality if used too long.

## To change the oil and oil filter:

- Warm up the engine thoroughly, and then stop the engine.
- Position the vehicle on its center stand and place the oil pan beneath the engine.
   Remove the drain plug.



1. Drain Plug

2. Oil Filter Mounting Bolt

the oil filter mounting bolt, drop out the oil filter, and replace the oil filter element.

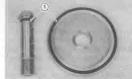
After the oil has completely drained out, install the oil filter and drain plug.

olf the oil filter is to be changed, remove

Replace the damaged gasket with a new one.

Note: Check for 0 ring damage.

OWhen installing the oil filter, make sure the O rings are in place.



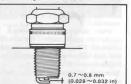
1. O Rings

with SE class SAE 10W40, 10W50, 20W40, or 20W50 motor oil. It will take about 2.9 \( \) (3.1 US qt) when the filter is changed. When the filter is not changed, a refill takes about 2.5 \( \) (2.7 US qt).

•Fill the engine up to the upper level

Note: After the engine has been run and then stopped for a few minutes, the oil level should be between the upper and lower level lines.

## Spark Plug Maintenance



The standard spark plug is a ND W22ES-U or NGK B7ES. It should have a 0.7 ~ 0.8 mm (0.028 ~ 0.032 in) gap, and be tightened to 2.8 kg-m (20 ft-lbs) of torque.

#### Maintenance

plug.

equivalent.

The spark plugs should be taken out periodically for cleaning and to reset the gaps (Pg. 42). If any plug is oily or has carbon built up on it, have it cleaned, preferably in a sand-blasting device, and then clean off any abrasive particles. The plug may also be cleaned using a high flash-point solvent and a wire brush or other suitable tool. Measure the gap with a wire-type thickness gauge, and adjust the gap if incorrect by bending the outer electrode. If the spark plug electrodes are corroded or damaged, or if the insulator is cracked, replace the

Use the standard plug or its

### Camshaft Chain

The camshaft chain tensioner on this motorcycle is an automatic type. Since the camshaft chain slack (developed by chain and chain guide wear) is taken up by this automatic camshaft chain tensioner, the tensioner requires no periodic maintenance.



1. Camshaft Chain Tensioner

#### Valve Clearance Adjustment

Valve and valve seat wear decreases valve clearance, upsetting valve timing.

CAUTION If valve clearance is left unadjusted, the wear will eventually cause the valves to remain partly open; which lowers performance, burns the valves and valve seats, and may

Valve clearance for each valve should be checked and, if incorrect, adjusted in accordance with the Periodic Maintenance Chart (Pg. 42) and any time clearance may have been affected by disassembly.

cause serious engine damage.

When carrying out adjustment, be careful to adjust within the specified clearance. Adjusting to a larger value will both disturb valve timing and cause engine noise.

Note: Valve clearance must be checked when the ENGINE IS COLD. Remove the fuel tank.

Remove the valve adjusting ca

To check and adjust the valve clearance:

Remove the valve adjusting caps.



1. Valve Adjusting Caps

Remove the contact breaker cover.

•Using a 17 mm wrench, turn the crankshaft counterclockwise while watching the movement of the inlet valve (the valve to the rear) on the right side. When the valve has just finished opening and closing (moving downward and returning upward), turn the crankshaft in the same direction (counterclockwise). for about another '& turn until the """ mark on the timing advancer aligns with the timing mark.



1. Timing Mark 2. "T" Mark

can be checked.

At this crankshaft position, the piston in the right cylinder is at the end of its compression stroke such that the inlet and exhaust valve for the right cylinder  Measure the clearance of each valve by inserting a thickness gauge (special tool) between the adjusting screw and the valve stem. The correct clearance for the inlet and exhaust valves is 0.17 ~ 0.22 mm (0.007 ~ 0.009 in).



2. Adjusting Screw

- off a valve clearance is incorrect, loosen
- its adjusting screw locknut, and turn the adjusting screw until correct clearance is obtained.

Tighten the locknut. ·After finishing with the right cylinder valves, turn the crankshaft counterclock-

Install the valve adjusting caps together with O rings. Install the contact breaker cover and its

wise one fill turn so that the "T" mark

again aligns with the timing mark. Check

the left cylinder valves, and adjust if

- gasket.
- Install the fuel tank.

necessary.

Note: If necessary, ask a competent

mechanic to make the inspection and adjustment according to the procedures in the Service Manual.

## Air Cleaner Maintenance

A cloqued air cleaner restricts the air intake, increasing fuel

consumption, reducting engine power, and causing spark plug fouling.

#### Air Cleaner Element Cleaning

The air cleaner element must be cleaned periodically (Pg. 43). In dusty areas, the element should be cleaned more frequently than the recommended interval. After riding through rain or on muddy roads, the element should be cleaned immediately.

## ELEMENT REMOVAL

Unlock the seat and swing it open.

 Remove the air cleaner body mounting screws, and take off the air cleaner body.
 Pull out the element

Note: Element installation is performed in the reverse order of removal.

Oinstall the air cleaner body so that the

sponge gasket securely contacts against the front wall of the air cleaner housing.



1. Air Cleaner Body

2. Mounting Screws



1. Air Cleaner Body

2. Element

ELEMENT CLEANING Clean the sponge filter in a bath of a high flash-point solvent, and squeeze it

element.

dry. After cleaning, saturate the sponge filter with SE class SAE 30 oil, squeeze out the excess, then wrap it in a clean rag and

squeeze it dry as possible. Be careful not to tear the sponge filter. OClean the element in

CAUTION a well-ventilated and take ample care that there are no sparks or flame anywhere near the working area. Because of the danger of highly flammable lipuids, do not use gasoline or a

low flash-point solvent to clean the

OA break in the element material or dam-

age to the sponge gasket will allow dirt

and dust to pass through into the carbu-

retor and eventually damage the engine.

If any part of the element is damaged

The element should be changed peri-

the element must be replaced.

odically (Pg. 43) or if it is damaged.

Element Replacement

# Throttle Cable Adjustment

There is a throttle cable to open the butterfly valves in the carburetors. If the

cable is too loose due either to cable stretch or maladjustment, the excessive play in the throttle grip will cause a delay

in throttle response which will be especially noticeable at low rpm. Also, the

control, and the idle speed will be erratic.

throttle. On the other hand, if the cable is too tight, the throttle will be hard to

butterfly valves may not open fully at full

To check the throttle cable adjustment:

•Check that there is 2 ~ 3 mm (0.08 ~ 0.12 in) throttle grip play when lightly turning the throttle grip back and forth.



1. Throttle Grip 2. Adjuster 3. Locknut A. 2~3 mm (0.08~0.12 in)

To adjust the throttle cable:

If the cable has improper play, adjust

it as follows:

•Loosen the locknut at the throttle grip,
and turn the adjusting nut until the

proper amount of throttle grip play is obtained. Tighten the locknut.

Note. If the throttle cable cannot be adjusted by using the cable adjusting nut at the upper end of the throttle cable, use the cable adjuster at the lower end of the throttle cable (at the carburetor). Do not forget to securely tighten the adjuster locknut.



1. Adjuster

2. Locknut

#### Carburetor Adjustment

- Start the engine, and warm it up thoroughly.
- Adjust the idle speed to 1,100 ~ 1,300 rpm (r/min) by turning the idle adjusting screw.



1. Idle Adjusting Screw



1. Idle Adjusting Screw (West German Model)

 Open and close the throttle a few times to make sure that the idle speed does not change. Readjust if necessary.

Note: With the engine idling, turn the handlebar to each side. If handlebar movement changes idle speed, the throttle cable may be improperly adjusted or incorrectly routed, or it may be damaged.

WARNING Operation with an improperly adjusted, incorrectly routed, or damaged cable could result in an unsafe riding condition.

Note: If fine adjustment of carburetor synchronization is necessary, have a competent mechanic do the job using vacuum gauges, according to the procedures in the Service Manual.

## Clutch Adjustment

Due to the friction plate wear and the clutch cable stretch over a long period of use, the clutch must be adjusted peri-

odically (Pg. 42). WARNING To avoid a serious burn, never touch the hot engine of an exhaust pipe during clutch adjustment.

To adjust the clutch: ·Loosen the locknut, and turn in fully

the adjusting nut at the middle of the clutch cable to give the cable plenty of play.



1. Adjusting Nut

2. Locknut

·Loosen the knurled locknut at the clutch lever just enough so that the adjuster will turn freely, and then turn the

adjuster to make a 5~6 mm (0.2~0.24 in) gap between the adjuster and the knurled locknut.



1. Knurled Locknut 2. Adjuster A. 5~6 mm (0.2~0.24 in)

- Remove the clutch release adjusting cover
- ·Loosen the locknut, and turn in the adjusting screw until the screw turns without drag.

becomes hard to turn. This is the point where the clutch is just starting the release.

Turn out the adjusting screw until it



1. Locknut 2. Adjusting Screw

- Turn in the adjusting screw ¼ turn from
- that point, and tighten the locknut. Take up all the cable play with the adjusting nut at the middle of the cable,

and then tighten the locknut.

WARNING

Be sure the cable is fully seated in the engine sprocket cover hole, or it could slip into place later, creating enough cable play to prevent clutch disengagement, resulting in a hazardous riding condition.

•Turn the adjuster at the clutch lever so that the clutch lever will have 2 ~3 mm (0.08 ~ 0.12 in) of play and tighten the knurled locknut.



1. Adjuster 2. Knurled Locknut A. 2~3 mm (0.08~0.12 in) Install the clutch release adjusting cover.
 Note: After the adjustment is made, start the engine and check that the clutch does not slip and that it releases properly.
 For minor corrections, use the adjuster at the clutch lever.

#### **Drive Chain Maintenance**

the sprockets or break.

The drive chain must be kept properly adjusted for sefety and to prevent excessive wear. If the chain becomes badly worn or maladusted — either too loose or too tight — the chain could jump off

WARNING A chain that breaks or jumps off the sprockets could snag on the engine sprocket or lock the rear wheel, severely damaging the motorcycle and causing it to go out of control.

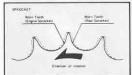
#### Inspection

With the motorcycle resting on the center stand, the chain should have 25 35 mm (10 ~ 1.4 in) slack measured midway between the sprockets. Rotate the rear wheel to find the place where the chain is tightest (because it wears unevenly). If there is less than 25 mm (1.0 in) or more than 35 mm (1.4 in) slack, the chain should be readjusted.



A. 25~35 mm (1.0~1.4 in)

In addition to checking the slack, rotate the rear wheel to inspect the drive chain and sprockets for damaged rollers, loose pins and links, unevenly or excessively worn teeth, and damaged teeth. Note:Sprocket wear is exaggerated for illustration. See Service Manual for wear limits.



If there is any irregularity, have the drive chain and/or the sprockets replaced by an authorized Kawasaki Dealer.

#### Adjustment

 Remove the safety clip, and loosen the nut at the rear end of the troque link.



1. Torque Link Nut

CAUTION If you don't loosen the torque link nut, it may lead to brake panel fracture when the chain adjusters are set.

- Loosen the left and right chain adjuster locknuts.
- Remove the axle cotter pin.
- Loosen the axle nut.
- If the chain is too tight, back out the left and right chain adjusting bolts

evenly, and kick the wheel forward until the chain is too loose.

•Turn the left and right chain adjusting botts evenly until the drive chain has 25 ~30 mm (1.0 ~1.2 in) of slack. To keep the chain and wheel aligned, the notch on the left chain adjuster should align with the same swing arm mark that the right chain adjuster notch aligns with.



5. Adjusting Bolt

2. Notch

3. Axle Nut

Note: Wheel alignment can also be checked using the straightedge or string method. WARNING Misalignment of the wheel

will result in abnormal wear, and may result in an unsafe riding condition. Tighten both chain adjuster locknuts.

Center the brake panel assembly in the brake drum. This is done by tightening the axle lightly, spinning the wheel, and depressing the brake pedal forcefully. The partially tightened axle allows the

brake panel assembly to center itself within the brake drum. Note: This procedure can prevent a soft,

or "spongy feeling" brake.

 Tighten the axle nut securely. Insert the new cotter pin through the

axle, and spread its end. Rotate the wheel, measure the chain slack again at the tightest position, and readjust if necessary.

Tighten the rear torque link nut securely, and insert the safety clip. WARNING If the axle and torque link

ened and the cotter pin and clip are not installed, an unsafe riding condition may result.

nuts are not securely tight-

 Check the rear brake and rear brake light switch (Pg. 63, 65).

Check chain wear by first stretching

#### Chain Replacement

the chain tight [adjust it taut or hang a 10 kg (20 lbs) weight on it] and then measure the length of 20 links. If the distance from the center of the 1st pin to the center of the 21st pin is more than 323 mm (12.7 in), the chain should be replaced

WARNING For safety, use only the standard chain: ENUMA

EK530D-G. Have it installed by a Kawasaki Dealer.



1. Weight

## Brake Adjustment

#### Front Brake

Disc and disc pad wear is automatically compensated for and has no effect on the brake lever action. So there are no parts that require adjustment on the front

brake. However if the brake lever has a soft, or "spongy feeling", check the brake fluid level in the reservoir and bleed the air from the brake line.

Note: Disc brake maintenance except for adding fluid should be performed only by a Kawasaki Dealer

WARNING If the brake lever comes close to the handless when it is applied, or if it feels mushy, there might be air in the brake lines or the brake may be defective. Since it is dangerous to operate the motorcycle under such conditions, have the brake checked immediately.

#### DISC BRAKE FLUID

The disc brake fluid reservoir must be filled up to the level line with one of the recommended brake fluids. Fill the reservoir up to more than lower level line (reservoir held horizontal). If none of the

recommended brake fluids are available, use extra heavy-duty brake fluid only from a container marked D.O.T.3.



#### 1. Lower Level

#### Recommended Disc Brake Fluid

Atlas Extra Heavy Duty Shell Super Heavy Duty Texaco Super Heavy Duty Wagner Lockheed Heavy Duty Castrol Girling-Green Castrol Gir (LMA) Castrol Disc Brake Fluid ,

CAUT

Do not mix two brands of fluid.

Otheck for fluid leakage around the fittings.

Otheck for brake hose damage.

unsealed for a long time.

#### PAD REPLACEMENT

(0.04 in).

Inspect the pads for wear. Check the thickness of the pad linings, and replace both pads as a set if the thickness of either pad is less than 1 mm

The fluid should be changed periodi-

ODo not spill brake fluid onto any painted surface.

cally (Pg. 42). It should also be changed

if it becomes contaminated with dirt or

Do not use fluid from a container that has been left open or that has been



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Rear Brake Adjustment

Rear brake adjustment consists of two separate adjustments: brake pedal position and brake pedal travel. BRAKE PEDAL POSITION

Check that the top of the brake pedal in its rest position is 20~30 mm (0.8~2.2 in) lower than the upper surface of the right front footpeg. To adjust pedal position, loosen the locknut, turn the adjusting bolk, and then tighten the locknut.



A. 20~30 mm (0.8~1.2 in)



1. Locknut

2. Adjusting Bolt

#### BRAKE PEDAL TRAVEL

The brake pedal should have 20 ~30 mm (0.8 ~ 1.2 in) of travel from the rest position to the fully applied position when the pedal is pushed down lightly by hand. Adjustment is made by turning the adjusting nut at the end of the brake rod.



- 1. Adjusting Nut 2. Rear Brake Pedal A. 20 ~ 30 mm (0.8 ~ 1.2 in)
- Check the rear brake light switch.
- Check for brake drag.

Check braking effectiveness.

CAUTION On the rear brake panel is a brake lining wear indicator does not point within the USABLE RANGE when the brake is fully applied, the brake shoe linings have worn past the service limit. In this case, the brake shoe sust be replaced and the drum and other brake parts examined by an authorized Kawasaki Dealer.



- 1. USABLE RANGE
- 2. Brake Lining Wear Indicator

#### Brake Light Switch Adjustment The rear brake light switch must turn

on the brake light after about 15 mm (0.6 in) of brake pedal movement, Adjust it by turning the adjusting nut

so that the brake light will go on after the correct amount of brake pedal travel.



Rear Brake Light Switch A. Lights sooner 2. Adjusting Nut

B. Lights later

To avoid damaging the elecconnections inside trical

the switch, be sure that the switch body does not turn during adjustment.

The brake light will also light when the front brake is applied. However, the front brake light switch requires no adjustment.



1. Front Brake Light Switch

## Steering Inspection

The steering should be checked periodically (Pg. 42).

To check the steering adjustment, first place a stand or block under the engine so that the front wheel is raised off the ground. Push the handlebar lightly to either side; if it continues moving under its own momentum, the steering is not too tight. Squatting in front of the motorcycle, grasp the lower ends of the front fork at the axle, and push and pull the front fork and forth;



if play is felt, the steering is too loose.

Note: Since the steering adjustment is sensitive and crucial for safe operation,

have it performed only by an authorized Kawasaki Dealer.

## Front Fork Maintenance

Inspection

Pushing down on the handlebar with the front brake fully applied, check that the front fork functions properly. Check the dust seals for damage, and look for any signs of oil leakage.



A. Push down

If there is dust seal damage or oil leakage, or if the front forks do not absorb shocks properly, consult your authorized Kawasaki Dealer.

#### Maintenance

Dirt or sand that has worked its way past a dust seal will eventually damage the oil seal, causing oil leakage. Periodically, slide up the dust seals and clean out any dirt or sand. Be careful not to damage either the oil seal or the inner tube surface.



1. Dust Seal

Since the front fork oil deteriorates with use, have the oil in both tubes changed periodically by your authorized Kawasaki Dealer (Pg. 43).

### Rear Shock Absorber Inspection and Adjustment

#### Inspection

Since the rear shock absorbers are sealed units and cannot be disassembled, only external checks of operation are necessary.

Check that the rear shock absorbers function properly and that there is no oil leakage and no mounting bushing damage. Make sure that the mounting fasteners are tight.

In case any irregularity is found during inspection, consult your authorized Kawasaki Dealer.

#### Adjustment

The rear shock absorbers have 5 positions so that the springs can be adjusted

for different road and loading conditions. If the spring action feels too soft or too stiff, adjust it in accordance with the following table:

Position	1	2	3	4	5
Spring Action	Str	onge	r -		>



1. Adjusting Sleeve

2. Screw Driver

WARNING If the rear shock absorbers are not adjusted equally, handling may be impaired and a hazardous condition may result.

## Wheel Inspection

An unbalanced wheel will cause the whicle to vibrate or the steering to wobble, especially at high speeds. Since wheel balance greatly affects motorcycle safety, have the wheels inspected by a Kawasaki Dealer whenever abnormal handling is experienced during riding. Also, have the wheel balance inspected whenever a new tire is mounted.

## Rim Runout

The wheels are manufactured to very high standards of accuracy and trueness, and should remain within manufacturing tolerances for runout. The rim runout control. The maximum recommended should be checked whenever the wheels load in addition to vehicle weight is 155 have been subjected to severe impact. kg (342 lbs), including rider, passenger, The rim axial runout should be under baggage and accessories. 0.5 mm (0.02 in), and the rim radial Remember that tire pressure is affectrunout should be under 0.8 mm (0.032 ed by changes in ambient temperature in). If either runout exceeds the service and altitude, and so the tire pressure limit, the rim should be replaced since should be checked and adjusted when adjustment is not possible. your riding involves wide variations in Note: If necessary, ask your authorized temperature or altitude. Kawasaki Dealer for inspection. Proper tire inflation pressure is essential for safety, comfort, and economy, Tires and Tubes Abnormally high or low tire air pressure Good traction and power transmission has a bad effect on stability and handling. during acceleration and braking, especial-Underinflation could result in tire failure ly on bad surfaces, depend on many due to flexing, and overinflation could things including proper loading and inresult in tire failure due to the decreased flation of your tires. Failure to maintain ability of the tire to cushion shock. Improper inflation pressures or observe payproper inflation will also cause the tire load limits for your tires may adversely treads to wear unevenly, with most of the affect handling and performance of your wear along the outside of the treads when motorcycle and can result in loss of the tire is underinflated, and along the

center of the tread when the tire is overinflated. Check the tire pressure often, using an accurate gauge. Measure the tire pressure when the tires are cold (that is, when the motorcycle has not been ridden more than a mile during the past 3 hours).



Tire Pressure Gauge

Near the end of their useful life, the tires become increasingly vulnerable to puncture or blowout. An accepted estimate is that 90% of all tire failures occur during the last 10% of tread life (90%

worn). So it is false economy and unsafe to use the tires until they are bald. Tread wear limits are specified in this manual to give you a guide for deciding when the tires should be replaced. In addition, a visible check of tread wear should be made frequently.

Replace any tire that has worn down to the minimum allowable tread depth.

WARNING To ensure safe handling and stability, use only tires recommended by Kawasaki. Use of components not recommended may result in an unsafe condition, leading to accident and injury.

In the event of a flat tire resulting from a punctured tube, replace the tube only with a Kawasaki replacement tube. Repair of the tube is not recommended. but if undertaken, it must be done with extreme care to prevent a subsequent flat tire, and possible loss of control.

Rear	97.5~155 kg	1.75 kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	130/90-16 67S	YOKOHAMA Y-987C	(70 mph)	(0.08 in)
	(215~342 lbs) load	(25 psi, 175 kPa)			Over	3 mm
	156~196 kg (344~432 lbs) load	2.0 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> (28 psi, 200 kPa)			110 kph (70 mph)	(0.12 in)
	I Removal		100	2///	1	

Tire Size

3.25S-19

4PR

Make

Type

Y-986

YOKOHAMA

# Front Wheel Removal

Up to 97.5 kg

Internal land

 Disconnect the lower end of the speedometer cable with pliers.

Air Pressure (Cold)

1.75 kg/cm2 (25 psi, 175 kPa)

1.50 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>

Ins -- 1 150 LB

Remove the front axle nut.

Front



2. Speedometer Cable

Minimum Tread

Depth

1 mm (0.04 in)

2 mm

Under

- Use a jack under the engine or other suitable means to lift the front of the motorcycle.
- Holding the front wheel to facilitate axle removal, pull out the axle, and then remove the wheel from the motorcycle.

CAUTION Do not lay the wheel on the ground with the brake disc facing down to prevent damaging the disc.

•Insert the wood wedge [5 ~ 6 mm (0.20 ~ 0.24 in)] between the disc brake pads. This prevents the pads from being moved out of their proper position, should the brake lever be squeezed accidentally.

#### Front Wheel Installation

 Remove the wedge from between the disc brake pads.

 Check that the speedometer gear housing is properly fitted on the front hub, and check that the collar is on the right side of the hub.



1. Opendometer creat frouging



1. Collar

- ·Hold the front wheel in its place between the front fork tubes. Insert the axle from the right side, and install the washer and front axle nut finger tight. Turn the speedometer gear housing
- so that it points to the two o'clock position. Be sure that the small projection on the gear housing does not catch on the lower part of the left tube.



1. Projections

Failure to correctly align the speedometer

housing may result in breakage of the gear housing or cable. ·Holding the axle with an open end

wrench so that it does not turn, tighten the axle nut securely.

WARNING If the axle is not securely tightened, an unsafe riding condition may result.

- Insert the speedometer inner cable into the housing while turning the wheel so that the slot in the end of the cable will seat in the tongue of the speedometer pinion. Tighten the cable nut with pliers.
- Check the front brake for drag.

WARNING The front brake lever must be pumped to move the

brake pads into operating position. If this is not done, the first few applications of the brake may be ineffective and an unsafe riding condition could result.

### Rear Wheel Removal

- Put the motorcycle up on its center stand.
- Take out the safety clip from the torque link bolt, and remove the rear torque link nut and bolt



- 1. Adjusting Nut 2. Torque Link Nut
- 3. Safety Clip
- ·Being careful not to bend or otherwise damage it, free the rear brake light

- switch spring from the tab on the brake pedal.
- Remove the adjusting nut from the end of the brake rod, and free the rod from the cam lever by depressing the brake pedal. Remove the brake rod spring and joint.
- Remove the clip from the drive chain master link using pliers, and remove the master link.



Clip

•Free the drive chain from the sprocket. being careful that the chain does not get dirty from contact with the ground. Remove the cotter pin and axle nut.



Raise the rear wheel enough to pull out the axle, and remove the axle. The chain adjusters and spacer will drop out.

4. Cotter Pin

2. Locknut

#### Rear Wheel Installation

- Apply a little grease to the inside surface of the hole in the coupling where the
- Check to see that the wheel coupling. coupling collar, coupling sleeve, rubber damper, and brake panel are in place.







1. Coupling Collar 2. Wheel Coupling

rear hub fits.

- Slip the rear wheel into the end of the swing arm.
- Install the chain adjuster on each side of the swing arm. The chain adjusters

should be installed with the notch mark side facing out.

•Slide the axle through from right to left.

Do not forget to put the spacer in place between the brake panel and the right chain adjuster.

Attach the rear axle nut loosely.

•Fit the drive chain onto the rear sprocket and install the drive chain master link and clip. The direction of the master



Fit the brake rod joint to the cam lever.

- Install the spring on the end of the brake rod, fit the rod through the joint, and screw on the adjusting put.
- Insert the torque link bolt into the brake panel, and install the torque link, lockwasher, and nut finger tight.
- Adjust the drive chain (Pg. 58).
- Adjust the rear brake (Pg. 63),
   Check the rear brake light switch and adjust if necessary (Pg. 65).

### Automatic Side Stand Return Mechanism Adjustment

Check and adjust the automatic side stand return mechanism on the West German model whenever it does not work satisfactorily, or whenever it was

To check the mechanism:

disassembled.

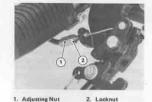
 Situate the motorcycle so that it is perpendicular to the ground. Swing down the side stand, and pull in the clutch lever. The side stand should return to its rest position when the clutch lever pulled in.



1. Automatic Side Stand Return Mechanism

If it is not, adjust the mechanism as follows:

·Loosen the locknut at the lower end of the mechanism cable.



1. Adjusting Nut.

Turn the adjusting nut so that the proper adjustment is obtained. Tighten the locknut.

 Check the mechanism operation, and readjust if necessary.

#### Battery Maintenance

Battery Electrolyte Level Inspection
Keep the electrolyte level between the

keep the electrolyte level between the upper and lower level lines. When it gets low, remove the battery filler caps and fill with distilled water until the electrolyte level in each cell reaches the upper level line.



Battery Vent Hose
 Upper Level

3. Lower Level 4. Filler Caps

CAUTION Add only distilled water to the battery. Ordinary

1. Air Cleaner Body

Battery Charging

battery.

Unlock the seat and swing it open.

tap water is not a substitute for distilled

water and will shorten the life of the

Remove the air cleaner body.



1. Air Cleaner Body

.Remove the holder screw and holder.



Disconnect first the negative (-) ground lead connection and then the positive (+) lead, and remove the battery.

 Clean the battery using a solution of baking soda and water. Be sure that the terminals are clean.

CAUTION Always remove the battery from the motorcycle for charging. If the battery is charged while still installed, battery electrolyte may spill and corrode the frame or other parts of the motorcycle.

Check that the electrolyte level in each cell is between the upper and lower level lines, and add distilled water if necessary.

CAUTION Do not use ordinary tap water to fill the battery.

Tap water contains impurities which will shorten battery life.

•Remove the caps from all the cells and

connect the battery charger leads to the battery terminals (red to +, black to -).



1. + Lead 2. - Lead

Battery Charger
 Filler Caps

WARNING off an explosive gas mixture of hydrogen and oxygen, keep any
sparks or open flame away from the battery during charging. When using a
battery charger, connect the battery to
the charger before turning on the charger.
This procedure prevents sparks at the
battery terminals which could ignite

battery would be 1.0 ampere.

CAUTION Do not use a high rate battery charger, as it typically employed at automotive service stations, unless the charging rate can be reduced to

the level required for motorcycle bat-

teries. Charging the battery at a rate

higher than specified may ruin the bat-

tery. Charging at a high rate causes excess

the charger before turning on the charger. This procedure prevents sparks at the battery terminals which could ignite any battery gases.

Charge the battery at a rate that is 1/101th of the battery capacity. For example, the charging rate for a 10AH

temperature, and increase charging time proportionately.

After charging, check the electrolyte level in each cell. If the level has fallen, add distilled water to bring it back up between the level lines.

heat which can warp the plates and cause

internal shorting. Higher-than-normal

charging rates also cause the plates to

shed active material. Deposits will

accumulate, and can cause internal short-

ing. If the temperature of the electrolyte

rises above 45°C (115°F) during charging.

reduce the charging rate to lower the

Check that the battery case rubber dampers are properly in place.
 Put the battery in the battery case, and

route the battery vent hose as shown on

Connect the capped lead to the positive

The capped lead to the positive

The capped lead to the positive

(+) terminal, and then connect the black lead to the negative (-) terminal.



(+) Tern

—) Terminal

- Put a light coat of grease on the terminals to prevent corrosion.
- Cover the positive (+) terminal with its protective cap.

CAUTION Make sure the battery vent hose is kept away from the chain and exhaust system. Battery electrolyte can corrode and dangerously weaken the chain. Do not let the vent hose become folded, pinched, or melted

by the exhaust system. An unevened battery will not keep a charge and it may crack from built-up gas pressure.

 Install the air cleaner body so that the sponge gasket of the element securely contacts against the front wall of the air cleaner housing.

## Headlight Beam Adjustment

The headlight beam is adjustable vertically. If adjusted too low, neither low nor high beam will illuminate the road far enough shead. If adjusted too high, the high beam will fail to illuminate the road close shead, and the low beam will dazzle oncoming drivers.

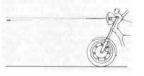
Vertical Adjustment

 Loosen the headlight housing mounting bolts, and adjust the headlight vertically.
 Note. On high beam, the brightest point should be slightly below horizontal. Adjust the headlight to the proper angle

according to local regulations.



1. Mounting Bolt



 Tighten the headlight housing mounting bolts.

#### **Bulb Replacement** When replacing bulbs, be sure that

the replacement is the proper bulb. The proper bulbs are as follows:

Headlight Bulb: 12V 50/35W \*12V 35/35W F) 12V 36/36W City Light Bulb: 12V 3,4W \* 12V 4W

Turn Signal Light Bulb: 12V 23W \* 12V 21W Tail/Brake Light Bulb: 12V 8/27W \* 12V 5/21W

(\* European model, (F) French model)

Headlight and City Light **Bulb Replacement** Remove the two mounting screws.



#### 1. Moditing Scies

- Pull the headlight unit from the headlight housing.
   Remove the large spring, and take off
- the headlight bulb socket.
- Press the bulb inward; twist it to the left, and pull it out.
- Press the city light bulb socket inward, twist it to the left, and pull it out.
- Press the city light bulb inward, twist it to the right, and pull it out.



City Light Bulb Socket
 Headlight Bulb Socket

3. Large Spring

Note: When installing the headlight beam unit, be sure that the TOP mark is facing up.

#### Turn Signal Light and Tail/Brake Light Bulb Replacement

Remove the lens, press the bulb inwards, twist it to the left, and pull it out.



1. Turn Signal Light Bulb



1. Tail/Brake Light Bulb

Note: When installing a lens, tighten the screws uniformly, but not too tightly, in order to avoid damaging the lens.

### Fuel System Cleaning

Accumulation of moisture in the fuel tank will restrict the flow of fuel and cause the carburetors to malfunction. The fuel system should be cleaned out periodically (Pg. 43) in the following

WARNING Clean the fuel system in a well-ventilated area, and take ample care that there are no sparks or flame anywhere near the working area.

Never clean out the fuel system when the engine is still warm. Wipe any fuel off the engine before

starting it.

Turn the fuel tap lever to the "PRI" position.



1. Fuel Tap

- Run the ends of the overflow tubes into a suitable container
- Loosen the drain screws to drain the tank and carburetor float bowls through the overflow tubes until only fuel comes out, and tighten the drain screws.



1. Drain Screw

2. Overflow Tube

Turn the tap to the "ON" or "RES" position.

olf any dirt comes out, ask a competent mechanic to clean the fuel system according to the procedures in the Service Manual.

1) Preparation for washing Before washing, precautions must be taken to keep water off the following parts: Rear opening of the mufflers ............. Cover with plastic bags secured with rubber bands.

Cleaning

Clutch and brake levers, switch housings on the handlebar ......... Cover with plastic bags. •lgnition switch ...... Cover the keyhole with tape. 

2) Where to be careful Avoid spraying water with any great force near the following places: Speedometer and tachometer Disc brake caliper and master cylinder

•Rear hub If water gets inside the rear hub, the rear brake will not function until it dries out. olinder the fuel tank and the seat

If water gets into the ignition coil or into the spark plug cap, the spark will jump through the water and be grounded out. When this happens, the motorcycle will not start and the affected parts must be wiped dry.

3) After washing

Remove the plastic bags and tape, and clean the air cleaner intake.

· Lubricate the points listed in the Lubrication Section (Pg. 87). Test the brakes before motorcycle operation.

Start the engine and run it for 5 minutes. WARNING Never wax or lubricate the brake disc. Loss of braking and an accident

could result. Clean the disc with an oil-less solvent such as trichloroethylene or acetone. Observe the solvent manufacturer's warnings.

#### Lubrication

grease, oil, dirt, or grime.

Lubricate exposed parts which are subject to rust, with either motor oil or regular grease whenever the vehicle has been operated under wet or rainy conditions, and especially after using a high-pressure spray washer. Before

In accordance with the Periodic Maintenance Chart (Pg. 43), in addition to the points shown here, other parts should be inspected and lubricated by

lubricating each part, clean off any rusty spots with rust remover and wine off any

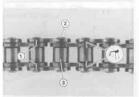
#### DRIVE CHAIN

a Kawasaki Dealer.

The drive chain should be oiled after riding through rain or on wet roads. after washing the motorcycle, or any

other time the chain appears dry.

Use a heavy oil such as SAE 90 weight gear oil to lubricate the chain. A lighter oil is better than no oil at all, but a heavier oil will stay on the chain longer and provide better lubrication. Apply oil to the sides of the rollers and between the links so that the oil will penetrate to the pins and bushings. Wipe off any excess oil.



3. Roller

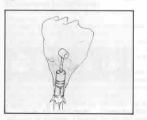
2. Pin

1. Links

#### CLUTCH CABLE

The best way to lubricate the cable is to let oil seep in between the inner and outer cables by forming some sort of reservoir to hold the oil. Lubricate the cable as shown.

Note: After connecting the upper end of the clutch cable, adjust the clutch (Pg. 55).



#### THROTTLE GRIP AND CARLE

the throttle grip turns.

Apply grease to the handlebar where Apply a light coat of grease to the

exposed portion of the throttle inner cable and the catch in the throttle grip. Fit the throttle cable into the throttle grip. Fill the compartment in the lower half of the housing with oil, and wait until the oil has seeped in between the inner and outer cables.



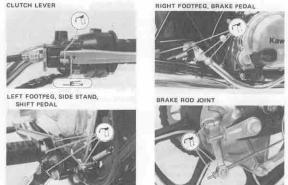




Note: OMaking sure that the pin in the upper half of the housing fits into the hole in the handlebar, reassemble the engine stop switch housing. Tighten the screws securely.

OAfter throttle grip assembly, check that the throttle grip turns properly and that the inner cable slides smoothly.





# Apply gross sparingly to the in

Apply grease sparingly to the inner cables.



#### TIMING ADVANCER

SPEEDOMETER AND

If the timing advancer mechanism does not move smoothly, the ignition timing will not advance smoothly or it may stick in one position.

For disassembly and assembly procedures, see the Service Manual,

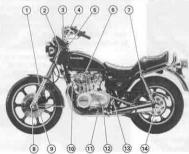
# OTHERS The swing arm, wheel bearings, speed-

ometer gear housing, brake camshaft, and steering stem bearing should be lubricated by an authorized Kawasaki Dealer.

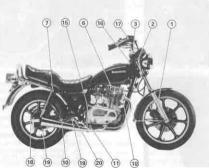
Note: A few drops of oil are effective to keep bolts and nuts from rusting and sticking. This makes removal easier. Badly rusted nuts, bolts, etc., should be replaced with new ones.

# **Bolt and Nut Tightening**

In accordance with the Periodic Maintenance Chart (Pg. 42), it is very important to check the tightness of the bolts and nuts listed here. Also, check to see that each cotter pin is in place and in good condition. Please refer to the Service Manual for torque values.



- 1. Front Fender Mounting Bolts 2. Front Fork Clamp
- Bolts 3. Handlebar Clamp Bolts Clutch Lever Holder
- Bolt Stem Head Bolt
- Cylinder Head Bolts
- 7. Rear Shock Absorber Nuts and Bolts
  - Front Axle Nut
  - Caliper Mounting Bolt
  - Muffler Mounting
- Nuts and Bolts 11. Footpeg Bolts
- Shift Pedal Bolt
- Swing Arm Pivot
- Shaft Nut 14. Rear Axle Nut



15. Engine Mounting

- Nuts 16. Stem Head Clamp
- Bolt 17. Front Brake Lever
- Holder Bolt 18. Brake Cam Lever
  - Bolt
- 19. Torque Link Nuts
- Brake Pedal Nut







20. Cotter Pin (Center Stand) 21. Clip (Torque Link)

21. Clip (Torque Link)
22. Cotter Pin (Footpeg)

23. Cotter Pin (Brake Rod)

24. Cotter Pin (Rear Axle)

When the motorcycle is to be stored for any length of time, such as during the winter season, it should be prepared for storage as follows:

Clean the entire vehicle thoroughly.

Empty the fuel from the fuel tank, and empty the carburetors by unscrewing the drain screw at the bottom of each carburetor. (If left in for a long time, the fuel will break down and could clog the carburetors.)
 Remove the empty fuel tank, pour about 250 cc (½ pint) of motor oil into the tank, roll the tank around to coat the inner surfaces thoroughly, and pour out the excess oil.
 Remove the spark plugs and put several drops of SE class SAE 30 oil into each cylinder.

Push the starter button a few seconds to coat the cylinder walls with oil, and install the spark plugs.

Reduce tire pressure by about 20%.

Set the motorcycle on a box or stand so that both wheels are raised off the ground. If this capacit be done but hours, and or the front and rear wheels to keep dampiness.

(If this cannot be done, put boards under the front and rear wheels to keep dampness away from the tire rubber.)

Spray oil on all unpainted metal surfaces to prevent rusting. Avoid getting oil on rubber

parts or in the brakes.

•Lubricate the drive chain and all the cables.

Lubricate the drive chain and all the cables.
 Remove the battery, and store it where it will not be exposed to direct sunlight,
 moisture, or freezing temperatures. During storage it should be given a slow charge

(one ampere or less) about once a month. Keep the battery well charged during cold weather so that the electrolyte does not freeze and crack open the battery. The more discharged the battery becomes, the more easily freezes.

Tie a plastic bag over the exhaust pipes to prevent moisture from entering.

Put a cover over the motorcycle to keep dust and dirt from collecting on it.

To put the motorcycle back into use after storage:

Check the electrolyte level in the battery, charge the battery if necessary, and install it in the motorcycle. Be careful that the battery vent hose is not pinched and that it is routed away from the chain.

Make sure the spark plugs are tight,
 Fill the fuel tank with fuel,
 Run . the engine for about five minutes to warm the oil, and drain the engine oil,

Run the engine for about five minutes to warm the oil, and drain the engine oil
 Put in fresh engine oil (Pg. 44).

Check all the points listed under the Daily Safety Checks (Pg. 38, 39).

• Lubricate the points listed in the Lubrication Section (Pg. 87).

## KAWASAKI LIMITED MOTORCYCLE WARRANTY

Rawsask Motors Corp. U.S.A. 2009 East Edinger Avenue, Santa Ana, Cattloma, therematter "Kawasaks" warrants for a period of six (6) moths storm the date of infail retail autoritaire from an autonized Kawasaks' motorcycle dealer that each new Kawasaks' motorcycle shall be free, under normal use and maintenance, from any delect in material and existenance professor to the "following contains, exclusions, delegations, the control of the control of the control of the state of the st

1. EXCLUSIONS. The following are specifically excluded from the ferms and provisions of this war-

(a) All KR and KX designated model Kawasaki motorcycles.
(b) Any Kawasaki motorcycle engaged in competitive racing or related use.

- COVERAGE. Any material or workmanship found to be defective by Kawasaki within the six (6)
  month warranty term shall be repaired or replaced without charge for parts or labor at any authorized
  Kawasaki motorcycle depair focated within the continental United States of America.
- 3. OWNER'S OBLIGATIONS. The following obligations must be fulfilled by owner to maintain the

validity of the Kawasaki warranty.

(a) After the Inst 500 miles and before the first 1,000 miles of operation, owner must deliver the
motacycle for inspection and service adjustments to an authorized Kawasaki dealer or equally
solosis. The inspection and service adjustments to an authorized Kawasaki dealer or equally
solosis. The inspection and service adjustments are to be performed or forecast or specifica-

(b) Owner must present either a temporary registration form issued at time of purchase or owner's Kawasaki Service Kard to an authorized Kawasaki motorcycle dealer at the time yearranty repairs are performed on the motorcycle.

LIMITATIONS. This warranty shall not apply to it include any of the following:

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(a) Repair of replacement required as a restill of (i) accident, (ii) master or replect, (iii) tack of reasonable and proper maintenance, (iv) repair, improperly performed or replacements improperly installed, (iv) use of replacement parts or accessories not conforming to Kawaraki specifications, (iv) indirections not recommended at approved in writing by Kawaraki andior (ivi) formal wear and deterioration occasioned by the use of the indioratycle.
(ii) Rodner maintenance services and advirtiments.

5. LIMITED LIABILITY

(s) The insolity of Rawasak under this as (6) month, warranty a limited askely to the repair or replacement of defective material of experiments of your authorized Kawasak indors/cycle dealer at an entire place of business during month business hours. This warranty does not include any expense of a related to interportation of the monthly yello for inform Fawasak deeler of compensation of the related to interportation of the monthly yello for information and expense of the second of the

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- 10. Tighten the chain adjuster locknuts and the rear torque link nut (Figure 28).
- 11. Recheck chain play.
- 12. Adjust the rear brake as described in this chapter.

# Final Drive Belt Inspection/Adjustment

The final drive belt stretches very little after the first 500 miles of operation, but it should be inspected for tension and alignment according to the maintenance schedule (Table 2 or Table 3).

### NOTE

Some models come equipped with a Kawasaki belt tension gauge in the bike's tool kit (Figure 30). If you have such a gauge, follow the instructions provided with the gauge. The procedure given here applies to all models and can be used if the gauge has been lost or damaged.

- 1. Put the motorcycle on its centerstand.
- Apply 10 lb. (4.5 kg) of force to the middle of the belt run. Deflection of the belt should be as follows:
  - KZ440: 3/8-5.8 in. (8.5-17 mm). See Figure 31.
  - b. *EN450*: 3/8-3/4 in. (8.5-18 mm). See **Figure** 32.

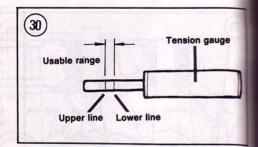
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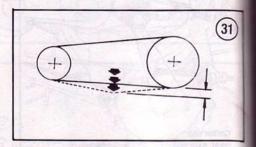
When checking belt tension on EN450 models with the Kawasaki tension gauge, place the gauge at the point indicated in Figure 33.

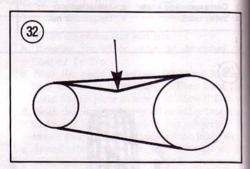
- 3. Turn the wheel a little and recheck belt deflection. It should be within specifications at the tightest and loosest parts of the belt.
- If the belt tension is not within specification as the belt is rotated, adjust the belt tension.
- 5. Check the sprocket alignment. Place a straightedge along the side of the rear sprocket near the top. There should be an equal space between the belt and the straightedge all along the belt.
- If the belt tension or alignment is out of specification, adjust as follows.

### NOTE

When adjusting the final drive belt, rear wheel and sprocket alignment must be maintained. A misaligned rear wheel will drastically shorten belt life and it may cause poor handling and pulling to one side or the other. Once the alignment is set correctly, if both adjusters are moved an equal amount, the rear wheel will be aligned correctly.

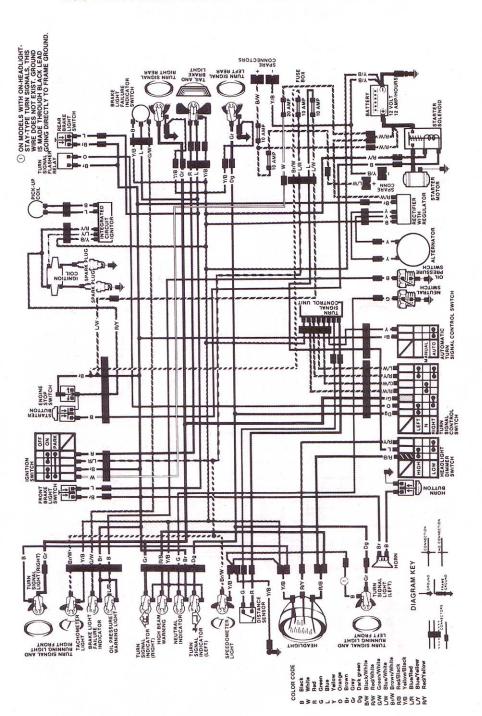




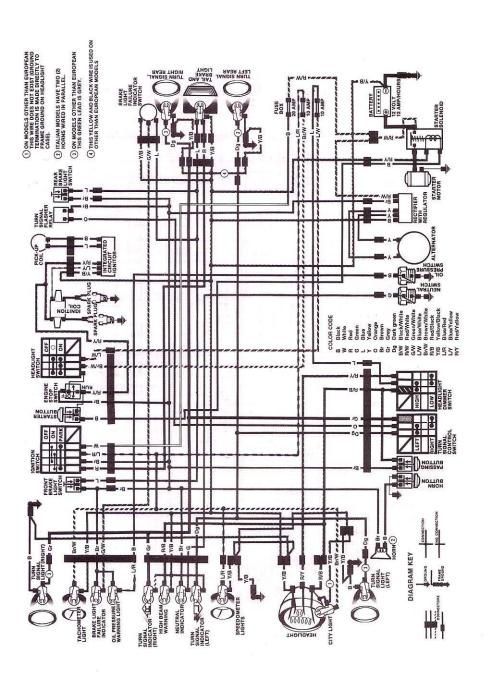


- 7. Refer to Figure 34. Loosen the rear torque link nut (A) and the axle nut (B).
- 8. Loosen the belt adjuster locknut (C) on both sides of the wheel.
- 9. Turn each adjuster bolt clockwise to take up tension in the belt. To loosen the chain, turn each adjuster bolt counterclockwise. Be sure to turn each adjuster stud equally to maintain rear wheel alignment. Adjust the belt until the correct amount of tension is obtained (Step 2). See Figure 31 or Figure 32. If you are using the Kawasaki tension gauge, insert the gauge again to be sure the tension is correct.
- 10. Partially tighten the axle nut, spin the wheel and stop it forcefully with the brake pedal, then tighten the axle nut. This centers the brake shoes in the drum and prevents a "spongy" feeling brake.

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