Competitive riding can be tough on a motorcycle, so it's important to inspect your CRF and correct any problems you find before each ride. Check the following items (page numbers are at the right):

WARNING

Improperly maintaining this motorcycle or failing to correct a problem before riding can cause a crash in which you can be seriously hurt or killed.

Always perform a pre-ride inspection before every ride and correct any problems.

Fre-ride inspection
Check the following before each ride:
• Engine oil level 50
• Transmission oil level
• Fuel line for condition
• Coolant for proper level
• Cooling system and hoses for condition 55
• Spark plug for proper heat range, carbon
fouling and spark plug wire terminal for
looseness
 Air cleaner for condition and
contamination
• Clutch lever adjustment and freeplay 62
• Breather drain for cleaning
 Steering head bearing and related parts for
condition
• Steering damper operation
• Throttle operation
• Tires for damage or improper inflation
pressure
• Spokes for looseness
• Rim locks for looseness
• Left fork air pressure
 Front and rear suspension for proper
operation
• Front and rear brakes, check operation 98
• Drive chain for correct slack and adequate
lubrication
• Drive chain sliders and drive chain rollers
for damage or wear
• Exhaust pipe/Muffler for looseness 108
• Every possible part for looseness (such as
cylinder head bolts, engine mounting bolts/
nuts, axle nuts, handlebar holder bolts/nuts,
fork bridge pinch bolts, drive chain adjuster
lock nuts, drive chain roller bolt/nut, wire
harness connectors, kickstarter arm
bolt)
• MIL operation