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The maintenance and repair information in this manual applies to the 1959 to 1969 Harley-Davidson Sportster and K-KH models

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FOREWORD

This service and repair manual has been prepared with two purposes in mind. First, it will acquaint the reader with the construction of the Harley-Davidson product and assist him in performing basic maintenance and repair. Secondly, it will introduce to the professional Harley-Davidson mechanic the latest field-tested and factory-approved major repair methods. We sincerely believe that this manual will make your association with Harley-Davidson products more pleasant and profitable.

HOW TO USE YOUR SERVICE MANUAL

Your Service Manual is arranged for quick, easy reference. This manual is divided into numbered sections. Sections are then divided into sub-sections. Use this manual as follows:

1. Check the TABLE OF CONTENTS located in the front of each section to find subject desired.
2. Page number is listed across from subject. Page number consists of section number and page number.
3. Information is presented in a definite order as follows:

Adjustments
Disassembly
Cleaning, Inspection and Repair
Assembly

In figure legends, the number following a name of a part indicates the quantity necessary for one complete assembly.

NOTE

All information for servicing a part should be read before repair work is started to avoid needless disassembly.

PREPARATION FOR SERVICE

Proper preparation is very important for efficient service work. A clean work area at the start of each job will allow you to perform the repair as easily and quickly as possible, and reduce the incidence of misplaced tools and parts. A motorcycle that is excessively dirty should be cleaned before work starts. Cleaning will occasionally uncover trouble sources. Tools, instruments and parts needed for the job should be gathered before work is started. Interrupting a job to locate tools or parts is a needless delay. Special tools required for a job are listed at the end of each section.

WARNING

Gasoline is extremely flammable and highly explosive under certain conditions. Always stop engine, and do not smoke or allow open flame or sparks when refueling or servicing the fuel system.

SERVICE BULLETINS

In addition to the information given in this Service Manual, Service Bulletins are issued to Harley-Davidson Dealers from time to time, which cover interim engineering changes and supplementary information. Service Bulletins should be consulted for complete information on the models covered by this manual.

USE GENUINE REPLACEMENT PARTS

WARNING

When replacement parts are required, use only genuine Harley-Davidson parts or parts with equivalent characteristics including type, strength and material. Failure to do so may result in product malfunction and possible injury to the operator and/or passenger.

To ensure a satisfactory and lasting repair job, follow the manual instructions carefully and use only genuine Harley-Davidson replacement parts. Behind the emblem bearing the words GENUINE HARLEY-DAVIDSON is more than half a century of designing, research, manufacturing, testing and inspecting experience.

This is your insurance that the parts you are using will fit right, operate properly and last longer. When you use genuine Harley-Davidson parts, you use the best.

PRODUCT REFERENCES

When reference is made in this manual to a specific brand name product, tool or instrument, an equivalent product, tool or instrument may be used in place of the one mentioned.

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WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS

Statements in this manual preceded by the words **WARNING** or **CAUTION** and printed in bold face are very important.

WARNING

Means there is the possibility of personal injury to your self or others.

CAUTION

Means there is the possibility of damage to the vehicle.

We recommend you take special notice of these items.

WARNING

Proper service and repair is important for the safe, reliable operation of all mechanical products. The service procedures recommended and described in this service manual are effective methods for performing service operations. Some of these service operations require the use of tools specially designed for the purpose. These special tools should be used when and as recommended.

It is important to note that some warnings against the use of specific service methods which could damage the motorcycle or render it unsafe are stated in this service manual. However, please remember that these warnings are not all inclusive. Since Harley-Davidson could not possibly know, evaluate and advise the service trade of all possible ways in which service might be done or of the possible hazardous consequences of each way, we have not undertaken any such broad evaluation. Accordingly, anyone who uses a service procedure or tool which is not recommended by Harley-Davidson must first thoroughly satisfy himself that neither his nor the operator's safety will be jeopardized by the service methods selected.

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