

Quick and Easy Motorcycle Roadworthy Checklist for Victoria

A downloadable PDF checklist (use in conjunction with the explanations in the blog post)

Motorcycle Wheels and Tyres.

- Check for wear and overall condition
- If the Tyre tread is on or below the tyre wear indicator or below 1.5mm, has uneven wear or has signs of deterioration (cracking in sidewalls) the tyre will need replacing.
- Wheels need to run true without dents or cracks. (Wheels should spin evenly without wobbling and must be free of dents or cracks to ensure safe operation.)
- Wheel bearings should be smooth and have no play laterally. (Wheel bearings should spin smoothly without roughness and not move side to side or wobble.)

Bike Steering and Suspension.

- Steering should be smooth in operation and have no tight spots or play.
- Handlebars should not be bent or damaged.
- Handlebars should be aligned with the forks and front wheel.
- The suspension should be working correctly and show no signs of oil leaks.
- Operation should be smooth and not bouncy (like a pogo stick).

Brakes.

- Brakes should function correctly and have acceptable stopping force.
- Brake pads/brake shoes should have sufficient friction material and be contamination-free.
- Brake discs should be above minimum thickness (usually marked on the disc).
- Brake Discs should be free of damage and warping. Brake drums should be under maximum diameter (this can only be accurately checked by wheel removal), although the wear indicator on the actuator arm will give a good reference. Levers should not have excessive travel.

Brake fluid

- What is the condition of your brake fluid? Does it need changing?

Seats.

- Seats should be in good condition with no rips or tears in the fabric.
- If the bike has a pillion seat, it requires footpegs, grab handles or a seat strap.

Lamps, Signals, Reflectors etc.

- All vehicle lights should be working, in the correct position, and free of damage and moisture.
- The headlight aim and beam pattern should be correct. Dashboard warning and backlights should be visible.
- Rear reflectors are required. (we can easily supply these on the test day)

Exhaust and Emissions control.

- Exhausts must be compliant and not have modifications.
- They must be labelled with a manufacturer's markings or "E" markings or supplied with a certificate of Compliance.
- Air intakes must have filters and not be open to the atmosphere.

Windscreen

- If a windscreen is fitted, it must not affect the rider's vision.

Body and Chassis.

- The body/fairing panels must be secure and free of sharp edges.
- The Motorbike's frame should be free of structural damage.
- Levers should be free of damage, and usage should not be hindered in any way.
- The vehicle must have at least two mirrors that give the rider good rear vision.

Engine and Driveline.

- The engine/gearbox should be free of oil/coolant leaks.
- Motorcycle Engine should not blow excessive smoke.
- Starting inhibitors (side stand, gear position and clutch switches) should operate correctly.
- The Gearbox should operate normally and not jump out of gear.
- The clutch should operate correctly and show no signs of slipping or dragging.
- Final Drive should be adjusted correctly and not worn beyond limits.

Modifications.

- Are there any significant modifications?
- If yes then you require an engineer's report.

Disclaimer

Following this checklist before you visit a repair shop offering Motorcycle Roadworthy Inspections does not guarantee a Passed Roadworthy inspection. An experienced Roadworthy Inspector will complete the Final Checklist to ensure official safety guidelines are followed.

Contacting MK1 Motorcycles Near You after completing your Motorcycle Roadworthy Checklist for Victoria.

- For inquiries, scheduling, or urgent RWC needs, [contact](#) MK1 Motorcycles at (03) 9775 1299.
- Our team is dedicated to providing top-quality service and ensuring your motorcycle is roadworthy so you can have a safe riding experience near you.