

BATTERY POSITION/1980 XLH, XLS

The batteries of some 1980 XLH, XLS motorcycles have been mispositioned within the battery carrier. The pad the battery rests on is thick enough to allow the battery to be pushed over the carrier retaining edge until the battery vent fitting is flush against the oil tank. In this position, the vent fitting could break.

Check all 1980 XLH, XLS vehicles between VIN's 3A 10000 JO to 3A 18419 JO and 4E 11137 JO to 4E 18482 JO for this condition. Perform the recommended fix when necessary.

WARNING - Batteries contain sulphuric acid, which is highly corrosive and can cause chemical burns. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Always wear approved eye protection when working around batteries.

ANTIDOTE - External - Flush with water.

Internal - Drink large quantities of milk or water, followed by Milk of Magnesia, vegetable oil or beaten eggs. Call doctor immediately.

Eyes - Flush with water get immediate medical attention.

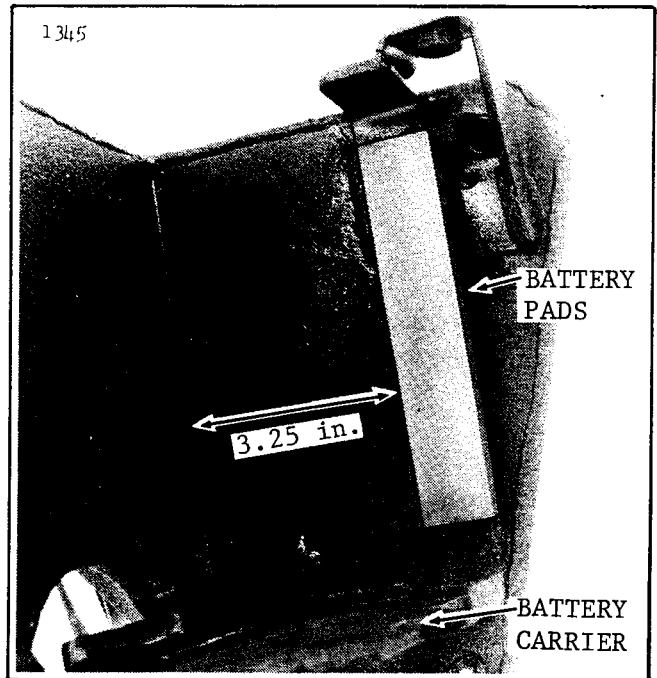


ILLUSTRATION 1
BATTERY CARRIER WITH PADS INSTALLED

This condition should be corrected as follows. Remove the seat to expose the battery and carrier and then remove the battery. Take two (2) battery cover pads, Part No. 66352-65, which have adhesive backing on one side, and glue them together. Then attach pads to the oil tank in front of the vent fitting position in the carrier. (Approximately 3.25 inches from inside wall.) (See Illustration 1.) This will effectively space the battery away from the oil tank.

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