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Brake Fluid Health

We all are good at checking the condition of our brake pads and rotors. But have you checked the health of your brake and on new bikes clutch fluid. I am sure that you have removed the cover to see if the fluid is at the right level.

But have you checked the moisture content in your brake and clutch fluid? These fluids attract moisture from the air and left unchecked can turn into a serious situation. There is a very simple way to check it. You can have it checked when you bring your bike in for service, or you can purchase a brake fluid moisture checker. They run between $9.00 and $43.00. You just need to determine if you have DOT 3,4 or 5 which type you will be in your owner’s manual as to which type you have.

What are the ranges that are most seen and what effects it may have on your braking system.

1-2% is normal and generally does not affect your braking.

3-4% is when you really need to consider having the system flushed. This is the range where your braking system, including your ABS can be affected by too much moisture. The result can be when you go to grab your brakes you can suffer brake fade or failure.

5-6% You will be doing a Flintstones stop.

It takes just a few minutes to check it or have it checked and the cost even if done by your dealer or shop is well worth it.

Ride Safe and see you at Convention.