# 2 SETTING UP

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Before riding, always ensure that the basic settings made by Öhlins are intact. Take notes, adjust in small steps and make only one adjustment at a time.

#### Step 1

### Spring Preload - Free Sag - Ride Height

Spring preload is a crucial part of setting your motorcycle since it affects the height of the motorcycle and the fork angle.

### Note!

Perform the following procedure on a flat surface.

- Put the motorcycle on a work stand so that both wheels are off the ground and the suspension is unloaded.
- Mark, e.g. with a piece of tape, a point immediately above the rear wheel axle.
- Measure the distance from the marked point to a fixed point, e.g. the wheel axle (R1).
- Measure the distance from the bottom of the upper triple clamp to a fixed point, e.g. the front wheel axle (F1).
- Put the motorcycle on the ground so that the front and the rear suspensions are slightly compressed. Repeat the measuring procedures (R2 and F2).
- Sit on the motorcycle in normal riding position, properly outfitted in your riding gear. Repeat the measuring procedure (R3 and F3).

#### Recommended Measures

If no other recommendations are given in the Mounting Instructions follow the recommended measures below:

## Free sag (R1-R2), (F1-F2)

Rear 5-15 mm Front 20-30 mm

## Ride height (R1-R3), (F1-F3)

Rear 25-35 mm Front 30-40 mm

#### Note!

Always check on the Öhlins web site www.ohlins.com or with an Öhlins dealer for the latest information.

#### Step 2

## Adjust spring preload

- If your measures differ significantly from the recommendations in the Mounting Instructions or the table above, adjust the spring preload. (See chapter Spring Preload in this manual).
- If the ride height still differs from the recommendations, you may need to change to softer/harder spring. Contact an Öhlins dealer for advice.

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Incorrect spring rate may result in a front geometry that is either too steep or too flat. This can result in a tendency of under or over steering, that could seriously affect the handling characteristics of the motorcycle.





