



Technical Service Bulletin

Date: 10/3/2004

Product Description: All Harley Davidson Oil Recommendations

Subject: AMSOIL Recommendations for All Harley Davidson

OBJECTIVE:

To recommend the preferred AMSOIL products for use in Harley Davidson Motorcycles, with reference to second and third oil options.

ISSUES:

Harley Davidson has recommended both gear lube and motorcycle oils in their motorcycles. There are many different models with different oil recommendations. This can cause some confusion in which AMSOIL will clarify.

DESCRIPTION & RECOMMENDATIONS:

Harley Davidson has manufactured 9 types of engines from 1929 to the current model. Flathead (1929-1974), Knucklehead (1936-1947), Panhead (1948-1965), Shovelhead (1966-1984), Evolution (Blockhead) 1340 (1984-1999), Big Twins 1450 (2000 to current), Revolution/V-Rod (2001 to current) Ironhead Sportsters (1957-1984) & Evolution Sportsters 1985 to current.

Harley Davidson recommends SAE 50 or 60 for the engine oil in their **Flathead, Knucklehead, Panhead, and Shovelhead**. AMSOIL recommends AHR SAE 60 or MCV 20W-50 motorcycle oil for all these older models. Use AMSOIL SVG or SVO for the transmissions. Of these models only the Shovelhead has a chain case that is lubed, and is fed by the engine oil.

In the **Evolution 1340, Big Twins 1450, and V-Rods**, AMSOIL recommends MCV 20W-50 motorcycle oil in all 3 holes (engine, transmission, and primary chain case). AMSOIL recommends SVG as an alternative oil for the transmission, and SVO as an option for older transmissions. New seals are recommended where excessive leaking exists.

Ironhead & Evolution Sportsters use one sump for both transmission and chain case. AMSOIL recommends MCV motorcycle oil for this common sump.

AMSOIL Cross Reference

Harley Davidson Part #	AMSOIL Product
99816-60 HD Engine Oil	AHR SAE 60 Engine Oil
	MCV 20W-50 Motorcycle Oil

99892-84 Transmission Lube

99824-03 Screamin Eagle Syn 3

99887-84 Primary Lube

99896-88 Sport-Trans fluid

99880-73 Type B Fork oil

99884-80 Type E Fork oil

SVG 75W-90 Gear Lube

SVO 75W-140 Gear Lube

MCV 20W-50 motorcycle oil

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STM Suspension Fluid

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Key to Harley Davidson/AMSOIL Oil Chart

First AMSOIL preferred recommendation

Second Option 2

Third Option 3

Harley Davidson Models	First	Second	Third
Flathead			
Engine	AHR	MCV	—
Transmission	SVG	SVO	—
Knucklehead			
Engine	AHR	MCV	—
Transmission	SVG	SVO	—
Panhead			
Engine	AHR	MCV	—
Transmission	SVG	SVO	—
Shovelhead			
Engine	AHR	MCV	—
Transmission	SVG	SVO	—
Evolution 1340, Big Twins 1450, and Revolution-V-Rods			
Engine	MCV	—	—
Transmission	MCV	SVG	SVO
Primary Chain Case	MCV	—	—
Ironhead & Evolution Sportsters			
Engine, Transmission/Chain Case	MCV	—	—

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