

# SERVICE BULLETIN



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## CRITICAL DRIVE BELT HANDLING PROCEDURES

### Purpose

The purpose of this bulletin is to assist dealer technicians in understanding how improper service procedures impact drive belt durability on all Buell motorcycles.

### Motorcycles Affected

Improper belt handling procedures affect all Buell motorcycles. Detailed analysis of drive belts from 2003 XB models returned under warranty has shown a trend in failures due to improper belt handling during routine servicing.

### Required Dealer Action

**Follow complete procedures** for removing belt guards and idler pulley on 2003 models XB9R and XB9S. These procedures can be found in service manuals Part No. 99493-03Y and Part No. 99490-03Y.

#### CAUTION

Attempts to short cut these procedures will result in reduced drive belt durability and belt life.

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The drive belt can be damaged by improper handling. The guidelines outlined in Buell service manuals apply to all belt drive systems.

#### IMPORTANT NOTE

*Do not leave the upper and lower belt guards and the idler pulley attached to the vehicle during the removal of the rear wheel. Follow complete service manual procedures.*



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**DO NOT PRY**



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**DO NOT TWIST**



Figure 1. Improper Handling of Drive Belt During Rear Wheel Removal

#### IMPORTANT NOTE

*In the interest of preserving customer safety and satisfaction, always check for outstanding recalls whenever any motorcycle is brought into your dealership for either maintenance or service.*

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