

***ALL MODEL BMW MOTORCYCLES***

**Do not operate the starter motor with the gearbox ground disconnected.**

On motorcycles that have additional accessories such as alarms and/or police equipment installed, care must be taken when doing any repair/service work because of additional ground connections at the battery negative terminal.

Some work requires the battery negative terminal be disconnected. If this is done at the gearbox, the accessory ground wires attached at the battery negative terminal can be overlooked. If the ignition is switched to on the dash lights will illuminate, and if the starter button is pressed the starter motor will work because a ground path can be found through the accessories -- causing a high AMP/H draw--damaging the accessory and melting the wires in the main wiring harness.

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We thank you for the input.

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