

NYC International Motorcycle Show 1 Dec 2017



Observations and Takeaways

- General Observations

- The passenger grab rails are too low to be useful (aftermarket needs to address)
- The bike feels noticeably lighter when you move it from side to side.
- The Honda folks at the show are not technical and are fairly useless in answering all but the most basic of questions. I knew more about the bike than they did!
- These were Pre-Production bikes and not perfect. Also, there was “limited” functionality with these show bikes. For example, when I plugged my Iphone into the port, it basically went wonky and didn't work. But John of J&M had success making and receiving a phone call, and one guy did have his music pop up on the screen.

- Noted Shortcomings

- The passenger grab rails are a solid piece (absolutely no 'gap' to thread a tie down strap through!). How do we secure our T-bag?? I hope a 'stock' bungee hook will conform to the shape securely.
- The CB antenna does not appear to 'retract' (lay down). How do you put a cover on a CB equipped bike?

- Overall – I loved the look of the bike and despite a couple of 'nits' I am excited. I'm in!

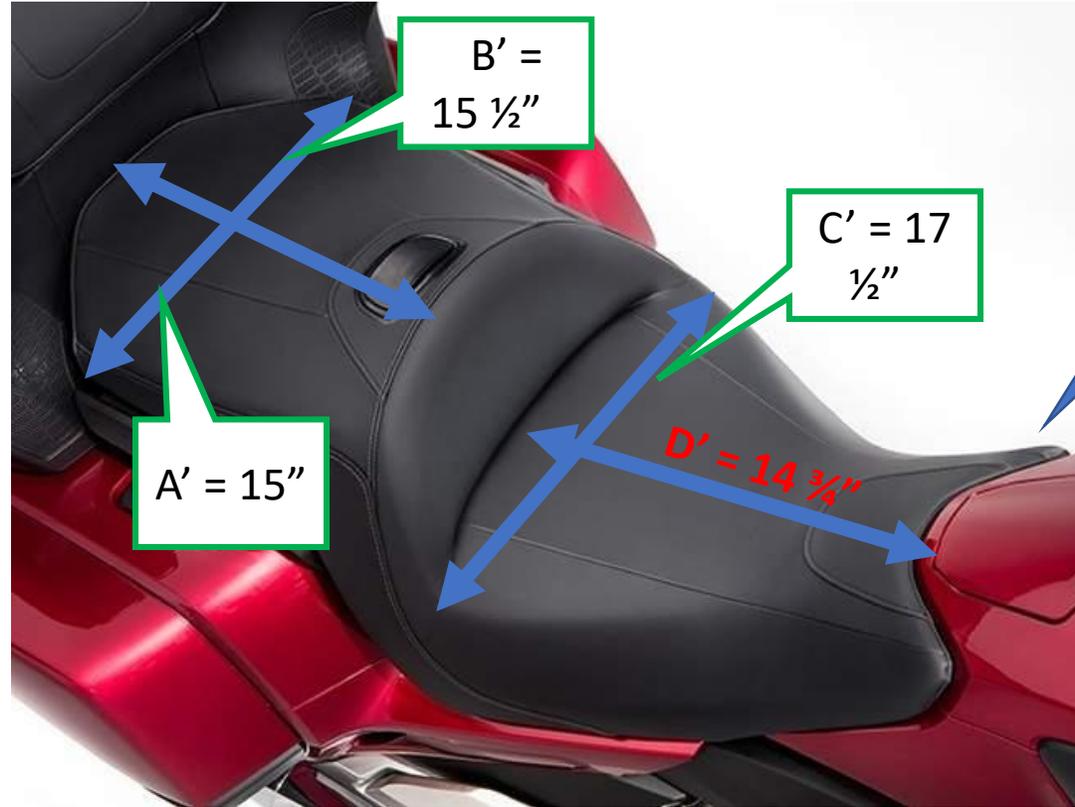
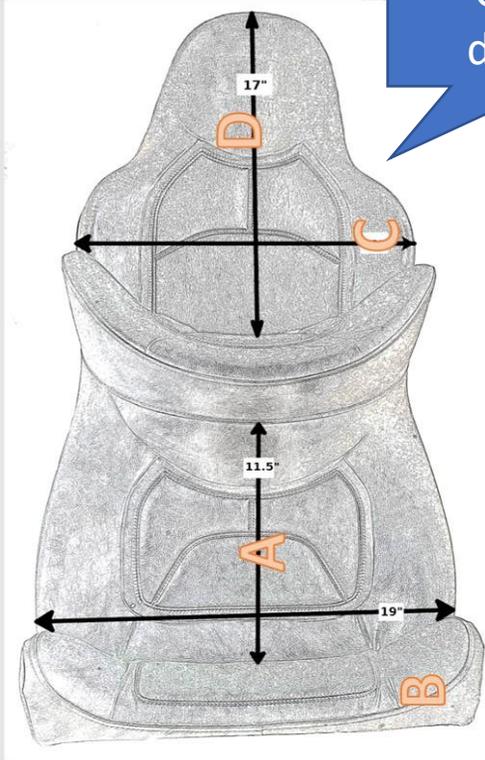
CB PTT Switch (really a PULL to Talk!)



This is a good shot at the CB PTT switch which is really a Pull to Talk switch. Transmit by using your index (pointer) finger and pull towards you. It is not as awkward as it sounds.

Old seat vs. New seat dimensions

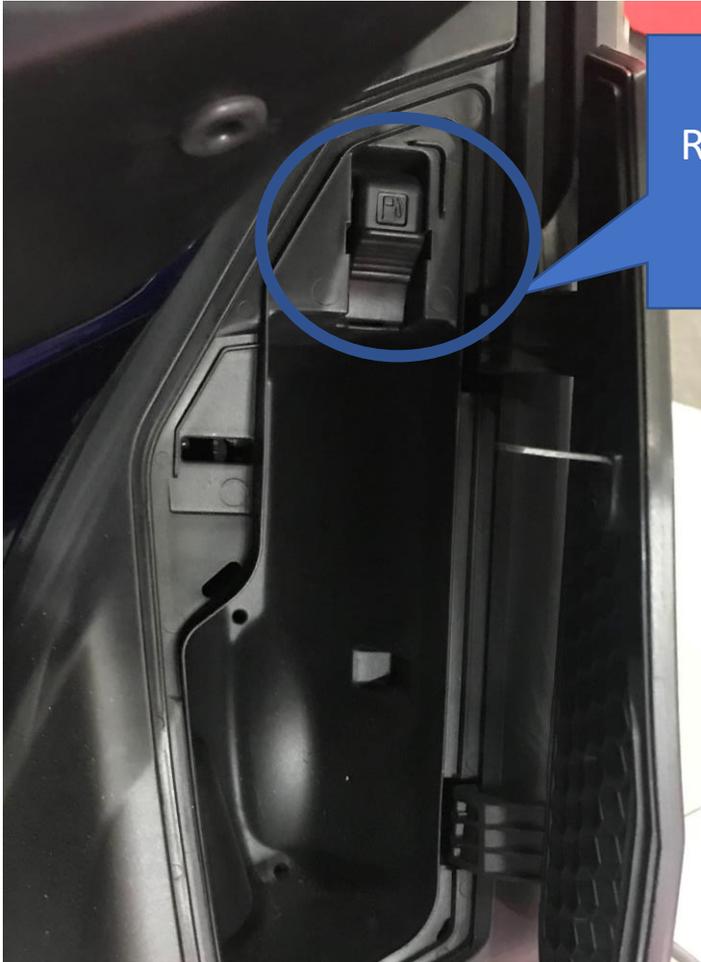
2017 GL1800
Gen 2 seat
dimensions



2018 seat
dimensions

New bike appears to be smaller in most dimensions, but a little *larger* in the fore/aft dimension of the passenger seat?

Fairing Pocket and right handlebar (MT)



Right side fairing pocket.
Requires FOB to open. Note
the fuel cap release lever
(push forward to release)



Right side handlebar
(Manual Transmission)

Air Deflectors and Passenger controller



Accessory Air Deflector – upper is adjustable. Lower is fixed with three (drilled) holes



Passenger Seat Heat (Tour models only) with optional CB PTT passenger switch

Right Side Saddlebag (bottle horizontal/bottle vertical)



Left Side Saddlebag (bottle horizontal/bottle vertical)



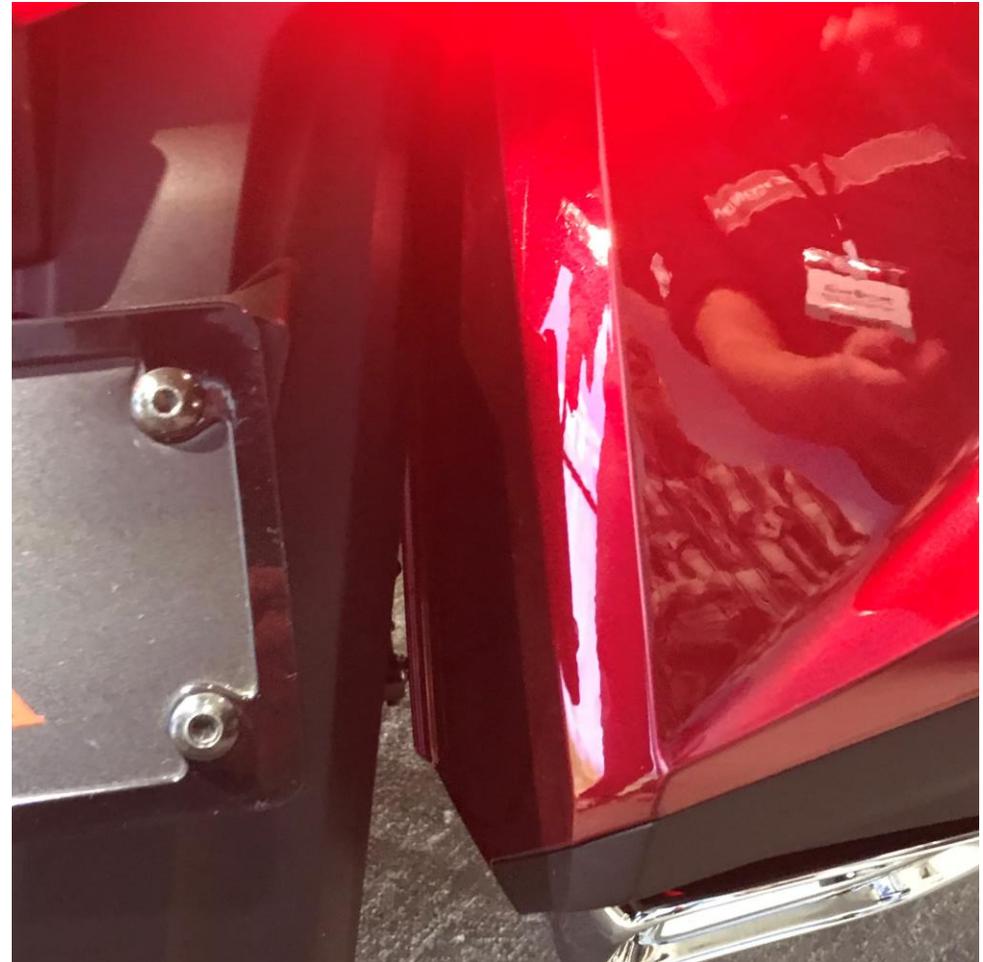
Travel Trunk



Saddlebag Paint Scuffing – 3M to the rescue?



“Fender Gap” – something more to keep clean



Tip over guard – plastic cover is easily removable without tools

