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Subject: Engine Fuels Containing Ethanol

Model: All BMW motorcycles

Details: In a number of countries, the mineral oil (petroleum) industry has adopted the practice of adding ethanol to fuels for spark-ignition engines (SI engines).

The mineral oil industry in Germany, for example, is required by the law on biofuel quotas to sell bio-ethanol as a substitute for a certain proportion of total SI-engine fuel sold. (Minimum percentages are 1.2% in 2007, 2% in 2008, 2.8% in 2009).

DIN EN 228 does not require the supplier to provide notification of ethanol content in a fuel if the proportion is less than 5%.

BMW motorcycles (all types, regardless of year of manufacture):

BMW Motorrad has no objection to the use of SI-engine fuels containing up to a maximum of 10% ethanol and imposes no warranty restrictions.

Ethanol mixtures in proportions higher than 10% can have an adverse effect on performance and can result in damage to components that come into contact with fuel. No warranty claims whatsoever for damage caused in this way will be accepted.

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