

Tips for Motorcycle Riding During Hurricane Season

Don't Get (Too) Wet

If you are purchasing new rain gear, look for an entire suit. Make sure the pants are long enough to cover your legs and that the sleeve cuffs will prevent rain from entering your gloves. Remember: leather isn't waterproof.

Know the Street

Heavy rains hide road hazards that you may see if the sky was clear. Try to stick to roads that are familiar to you if you can help it. At least you'll know where the holes are and which sections of road are clear.

Avoid Slick Roads

Dirt and oil have been building up on the road and will present more of a hazard if there hasn't been much rain. The sections of road that lay just before a traffic light or stop sign tend to have more oil and debris build up, so be careful.

Handling Hydroplaning

If you find yourself careening through the water, lay off the throttle and keep your hands firmly on the grips. Try to maintain control of your bike and only increase your speed once you have made it over the puddle.

Just Don't Do It

Your best course of action during severe weather is to just stay home. You can do everything right while driving through a storm and still find yourself in an accident. Riding during a storm is dangerous. There is no two ways about it. If you have the option of staying home or at least driving a car, do so.

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