Riding in Water

Choose a location to enter and exit the water where the banks are not too steep or slippery. Check the water before entering for rocks, holes or other obstacles which may cause you to overturn or become stuck or submerged.

Observe the following rules for operating the vehicle in water:

Never operate the vehicle in rivers or streams where the water is flowing quickly. Such operation could lead to an accident if the vehicle loses traction and is swept into the current.

Never operate the vehicle in deep water. The maximum fording depth is 20 cm (8 in.) in quiet (slow moving) water. Vehicle operation in deeper water may be unpredictable and hazardous, and could lead to an accident.

⚠️ WARNING

HAZARD
Operating this ATV through deep or fast flowing water.

WHAT CAN HAPPEN
Tyres may float, causing loss of traction and loss of control, which could lead to an accident.

HOW TO AVOID THE HAZARD
Never operate this ATV in fast flowing water or in water deeper than 20 cm (8 in). Remember that wet brakes may have reduced stopping ability. Test your brakes after leaving water. If necessary, apply them several times to let friction dry out the pads (except KLF220) and linings.

After the vehicle is operated in water, check the air cleaner and for KLF300B/C, 400 drain any trapped water by removing the drain bolts from the rear brake panel(s). After prolonged exposure to water, the wheel bearings may lose their lubricant and require replacement.
Wash the vehicle in fresh water if it was exposed to salt water or operated in muddy conditions.

Wet brakes provide little or no efficiency and could lead to an accident and injury. After operation in water, always apply the brakes long enough for the friction to dry the pads (except KLF220) and linings. Also, brakes that get wet may wear out faster. Check for brake wear more frequently if the vehicle is used in water.

Remember:
- Don’t ride in fast moving water.
- Stay out of the water over 20 cm (8 in.) deep.
- Dry out the brakes.
- Check the air cleaner for water.

CAUTION
KLF300B/C, 400:
If any water drains, it is an indication that the rear brake seal(s) must be replaced. Have the seal(s) checked by an authorized Kawasaki dealer as soon as possible.

WARNING
WARNINGS indicate a potential hazard that could result in personal injury or death.