

After-market Exhaust System Warranty & Antitampering

Sec. 205.173 In-use requirements.

Sec. 205.173-1 Warranty.

(a) The exhaust system manufacturer must include in the information supplied to the ultimate purchaser pursuant to Sec. 205.173-4, the following statement:

Noise Emission Warranty

“The manufacturer warrants that this exhaust system, at time of sale, meets all applicable U.S. E.P.A. Federal noise standards. This warranty extends to the first person who buys this exhaust system for purposes other than resale, and to all subsequent buyers. Warranty claims should be direct to ----- (Manufacturer shall fill in this blank with his name, address and telephone number.)”

(b) [Reserved]

(c) All information must be sent to:

Director, Noise and Radiation Enforcement Division (EN-387),
Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, DC 20460.

Sec. 205.173-2 Tampering.

The manufacturer must include the following statement, pursuant to Sec. 205.173-4, with each product of that category the manufacturer distributes into commerce:

Tampering Prohibition

“Federal law prohibits any modification to this exhaust system which causes the motorcycle to exceed the Federal noise standard. Use of the motorcycle with such a modified exhaust system is also prohibited.

Acts likely to constitute tampering include removal or puncturing the muffler, baffles, header pipes, or any other component which conducts exhaust gases.”

Sec. 205.173-3 Warning statement.

The manufacturer must include the following statement, pursuant to Sec. 205.173-4, with each product of that category the manufacturer distributes into commerce:

“ Warning: This product should be checked for repair or replacement if the motorcycle noise has increased significantly through use. Otherwise, the owner may become subject to penalties under state and local ordinances.”

Sec. 205.173-4 Information sheet.

The manufacturer must include the Noise Emissions Warranty statement, Tampering Prohibition statement and the Warning statement with each product. All three statements must be printed on a white sheet or card at least 8 1/2 inches x 11 inches. Each statement must cover no more than 1/3 of the sheet or card. No other printing must be on the sheet. The statements must be printed in black ink; the statement headings must be in capital letters in a minimum size type of 12 point (pica type) or its equal; and the text of the statement must be a minimum size type of 10 point (elite type) or its equal. The sheet or card must be placed with the exhaust system inside any packaging. If there is no packaging, the sheet or card must be affixed to the exhaust system so that it will not be accidentally detached in shipping.