

## Clutch Adjustment Tip

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My clutch was not adjusted correctly at the dealer. It caused my clutch to slip under heavy load. I read one magazine review that described poor 0-60 and 1/4 mile times compared to the Ninja 650R due to the exact same symptoms I was experiencing. I figure there may be some other Versys owners suffering from an unpredictable clutch.

If there is too much play in the clutch lever, the clutch will slip. If there is not enough play, the clutch may not disengage. See page 45 of the service manual if available. Here is a picture of the area you want to inspect when checking the gap.



Adjust the cable using the black knurled knobs until you have a 2-3mm gap when the play is taken out of the lever.



If your clutch feels sub par, take a couple minutes (you can do it on your next ride it's so easy) and adjust the cable slack to obtain the correct 2-3mm gap at the lever and you will be rewarded with a perfect feeling clutch. If this causes a longer reach to the clutch lever, simply adjust the chrome wheel using the different index numbers until the correct reach is obtained.



I'm almost positive that the magazine reviewer who commented on the Ninja having a much better clutch was experiencing the same issue as I was. Since the motors are almost identical in both bikes, I'm willing to bet both bikes have identical clutch components (*they do – Ed*). Adjusting the clutch cable made my bike WAY more ride able, predicable and quicker to accelerate. Prior to figuring this out my motor would continue to rev for a second or so even if I dumped the clutch under heavy load (WOT!). I hope this helps somebody else out there on the internet!