Engine Management System

System Description

The Rocket III is fitted with an electronic engine management system which encompasses control of both ignition and fuel delivery. The electronic control module (ECM) draws information from sensors positioned around the engine, cooling and air intake systems and precisely calculates ignition advance and fueling requirements for all engine speeds and loads.

In addition, the system has an on-board diagnostic function. This ensures that, should a malfunction occur in the engine management system, the malfunction type, and engine data at the time the malfunction occurred, are stored in the ECM memory. This stored data can then be recovered using a special service tool which is mandatory for all Triumph dealers. In this way, precise diagnosis of a fault can be made and the fault quickly rectified.

System Sensors

- Intake air temperature sensor situated at the front of the intake duct, above the cam cover. As the density of the air (and therefore the amount of oxygen available to ignite the fuel) changes with temperature, an intake air temperature sensor is fitted. Changes in air temperature (and therefore air density) are compensated for by adjusting the amount of fuel injected to a level consistent with clean combustion and low emissions.
- Barometric pressure sensor situated beneath the motorcycle seat, in the top of the airbox. The barometric pressure sensor measures atmospheric air pressure. With this information, the amount of fuel per injection is adjusted to suit the prevailing conditions.
- Manifold Absolute Pressure (MAP) sensor situated at the front of the intake duct, above the cam cover, connected to each of the three throttle bodies by equal length tubes. The MAP sensor provides information to the ECM which is used at shallow throttle angles (very small throttle openings) to provide accurate engine load indications to the ECM. This degree of engine load accuracy allows the ECM to make very small adjustments to fuel and ignition which would otherwise not be possible from throttle angle data alone.
- Clutch switch situated on the clutch lever. The clutch must be pulled in for the starter motor to operate.

 Crankshaft position sensor - situated in the alternator cover. The crankshaft position sensor detects movement of a toothed wheel attached to the alternator rotor.

The toothed wheel gives a reference point from which the actual crankshaft position is calculated. The crankshaft position sensor information is used by the ECM to determine engine speed and crankshaft position in relation to the point where fuel is injected and ignition of the fuel occurs.

- Engine coolant temperature sensor situated towards the front of the cylinder head, on the left hand side. Coolant temperature information, received by the ECM, is used to optimise fueling at all engine temperatures and to calculate hot and cold start fueling requirements.
- Primary throttle position sensor situated at the rear of the lower throttle spindle. Used to relay throttle position information to the ECM. Throttle opening angle is used by the ECM to determine fueling and ignition requirements for all throttle positions.
- Secondary throttle position sensor situated at the front of the upper throttle spindle. Used to relay secondary throttle position information to the ECM. Secondary throttle angle is used by the ECM to determine secondary throttle opening position under all engine running conditions.
- Road speed sensor situated in the lower crankcase, on the left hand side. The road speed sensor provides the ECM with data from which road speed is calculated and displayed on the speedometer. A vehicle speed limitation device also receives information from the road speed sensor.
- Lambda sensor situated in the exhaust header system upstream of the catalyst box. The lambda sensor constantly feeds in formation to the ECM on the content of the exhaust gases. Based on this information, adjustments to air/fuel ratio are made.
- Side stand switch situated at the top of the sidestand leg. If the sidestand is in the down position, the engine will not run unless the transmission is in neutral.

