# MSD FI Enhancer for 2002-2005 Honda VTX1800 PN 4178

### **Parts Included:**

- 1 MSD FI Enhancer
- 1 Wire Tap
- 1 Wire Ties

1 - Velcro®

1 - Alcohol Swab

**WARNING:** During installation, disconnect the battery cables. When disconnecting, always remove the Negative cable first and install it last.

## **OPERATION**

The MSD FI Enhancer is preprogrammed with four base fuel curves. The curves are selected using the switch labeled BASE. These curves adjust fuel delivery based on throttle position and rpm, providing the right amount of fuel under all conditions. The four fuel curves correspond to varying levels of performance modifications. These levels of modification are broken down into the following groups:

- Curve 1 Stock or base modifications. This includes slip on exhausts, intakes, air boxes, and air filters.
- **Curve 2 -** Bolt on modifications such as a full exhaust system.
- **Curve 3 -** Engine modifications, including cams, big bore kits, etc.
- **Curve 4 -** The fourth curve has all of the fuel adjustment values zeroed out. This curve is selected by moving the rotary switch to any position other than Base 1, Base 2 or Base 3. This curve is useful for those wanting to just modify the fuel delivery with the potentiometer adjustment, without having any other adjustments.

In addition to the four curves, there are three potentiometers that allow you to fine tune the curve you select. These potentiometers allow you to adjust the fuel curve from +20% to -20% in three different rpm ranges. The rpm ranges are:

**Low** - Idle - 2,000 rpm

**Mid** - 2,000 - 4,000 rpm

**High** - 4,000 - 6,000 rpm

To add fuel, turn the potentiometer clockwise. To subtract fuel, turn the potentiometer counterclockwise. With the potentiometer pointed straight up at the thick indicator mark (towards the MSD logo), that is 0% adjustment. Fully CCW is -20%, and fully CW is +20%. Adjusting the potentiometer between these points will result in adding or subtracting an amount of fuel proportional to how far the knob was moved from zero.

### **LED**

The FI Enhancer has an LED that will illuminate when there is power to the unit.

## **INSTALLATION**

- Remove the seat and airbox assembly. Move the ECU out of the way. Remove the battery cover.
  - Connect the FI Enhancer ground to the battery ground(Figure 1).
- 2. Reinstall the battery cover, and reinstall the ECU. Using the supplied velcro, mount the FI Enhancer (Figure 2).
- 3. Route the wiring harness from the FI Enhancer under the tank and through the frame (Figure 3).

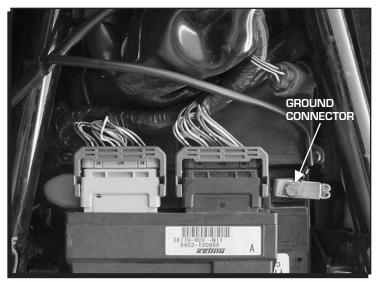


Figure 1 Connecting Ground.

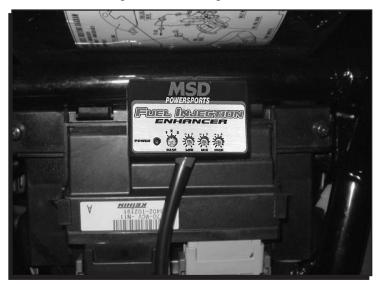


Figure 2 Mounting the Enhancer.



Figure 3 Routing the Wires.

- 4. Unplug the harness from the stock injectors. Make sure to keep track of which connector is for the front injector (Figure 4).
- 5. On the FI Enhancer harness, find the connector pair that has the Orange wires. Plug one side of it into the stock harness for the front injector. Plug the other side of this harness into the stock injector. Repeat this step for the rear cylinder and the other FI Enhancer injector harness (Figure 5).
- 6. The Throttle Position Sensor (TPS) is located on the front side of the throttle bodies, behind the airbox. Unplug this connector (Figure 6).
- 7. On the TPS harness, locate the Red wire that has a Yellow stripe. Using the supplied wire tap, tap into that wire. Make sure that the tap is on the wire securely. Connect the Gray wire from the FI Enhancer harness to this connector (Figure 7).
- 8. Reinstall the seat and airbox assembly.



**Figure 4 Injector Connections.** 



Figure 5 Enhancer Injector Connections.



**Figure 6 TPS Connections.** 

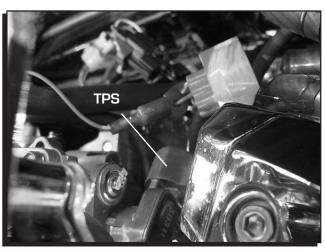


Figure 7 TPS Location.

## **CALIBRATION**

To select the right curve, start by making sure that all three of the rpm pots are set to zero adjustment. Then select the base curve which corresponds to your bike's level of modification. This should make the bike run better through all rpm.

Once you have selected the correct curve, then you can fine tune any problems with the map by using the potentiometers. With the arrows on the pot straight up and down, the pots are at 0% adjustment. To add more fuel, turn the pots clockwise. To subract fuel, turn the pots counterclockwise. **Do not attempt to adjust while riding!** 

## TROUBLESHOOTING

If the STATUS LED does not come on when the ignition is switched On, there is no power to the FI Enhancer. Make sure that you have the ground connected properly either directly to the battery ground, or to a lug on the frame that is grounded.

If the LED comes on, but does not run on one or both cylinders, double check all connections at the injector, making sure the connectors are seated properly.

### Service

In case of malfunction, this component will be replaced free of charge according to the terms of the warranty. When returning components for warranty, Proof of Purchase must be supplied for warranty verification. After the warranty period has expired, replacement service is charged based on a minimum and maximum charge. All returns must have a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number issued to them before being returned. To obtain an RMA number please contact MSD Customer Service at (888) 258-3835 or fax a request to (915) 858-3496. Send the unit prepaid with proof of purchase to the attention of: MSD Powersports, Customer Service - RMA #, 12120 Esther Lama, Dock 5, El Paso, Texas 79936. When returning the unit, leave all wires at the length in which you have them installed. Be sure to include a detailed account of any problems experienced, and what components and accessories are installed

on the vehicle.

A replacement unit will be returned as soon as possible after receipt, COD/Cashiers Check for any charges. For more information, call the MSD Powersports Customer Service Line (888) 258-3835. MSD Powersports technicians are available from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday (Mountain Time).

### **Limited Warranty**

MSD Powersports warrants this product to be free from defects in material and workmanship under its intended normal use\* and if properly installed, for a period of one year from the date of original purchase. If found to be defective as mentioned above, it will be repaired or replaced at the option of MSD Powersports. Any item that is covered under this warranty will be returned free of charge through standard shipping methods. If faster service is required the customer has the option of paying for this service.

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