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THE SUZUKI range of five motor cycles for next year is now going in to the hands of agents throughout the country and sales to the public have already commenced.

There are three 50 c.c. models, cheapest of which is the "Sportsman" at 91 guineas catalogued under the model number 50M15. Next comes the 50M12 "Supersport" at 104 guineas with a high performance engine claiming 4.2 b.h.p. at 8000 r.p.m., high level exhaust pipe and telescopic front forks. Top of the 50 c.c. range is the 50M15D "Sovereign" a luxury mount with electric starter, deep valanced mudguards, legshields and bottom link forks at 109 guineas.

All three models have many advanced specification features in common. Transmissions are fully enclosed, swinging arm rear forks are used with oil-damped telescopic spring units, full battery lighting with large headlamps, illuminated speedometers, flashing indicators fore and aft, 4-speed gearboxes operated by rocking pedals, large dualseats and pillion footrests are standard equipment.

Frames are of the backbone type in steel pressings and wheels 17 × 2.25 inches have large diameter full-width hub brakes. Fuel tanks are attractively shaped, fitted with kneegrips and hold 10½-pints, including reserve supplies. Extras there are none, the indicators, mirrors, steering locks, rear carriers etc. all being included in the quoted prices.

Sweet handling

At a press demonstration at the Crystal Palace last month we tried out the various models and were impressed by their sweet handling, good looks and practical design. The self starter model in particular we found remarkably quiet and docile, comfortable solo or two up and as easy to drive as anything we have met.

This point was well demonstrated by a 19 year-old model used for the publicity photographs. With no previous experience of riding any powered machine at all, she was given a few minutes tuition and then took to the track before photographers and

television cameras, even carrying a pillion passenger at times.

The sports models naturally have engine outputs that provide higher performance figures at the cost of slightly more audible exhaust nots. All three models have notably efficient brakes.



Suzuki "Sovereign"