SPARK PLUG

Disconnect the spark plug cap and remove the spark plug.

Visually inspect the spark plug electrodes for wear. The center electrode should have square edges and the side electrode should have a constant thickness. Discard the spark plug if there is apparent wear or if the insulator is cracked or chipped. Measure the gap with a wire-type feeler gauge and adjust by carefully bending the side electrode.

SPARK PLUG GAP:

0.6-0.7 mm (0.024-0.028 in)

RECOMMENDED REPLACEMENT PLUG: DR8ES-L (NGK) X24ESR-U (ND)

Check the sealing washer and replace with a new one if damaged.

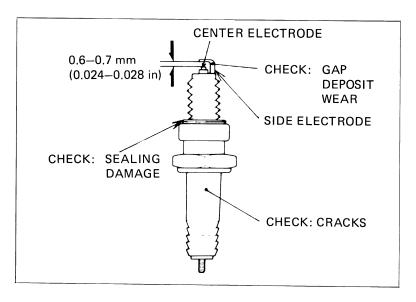
With the sealing washer attached, thread the spark plug in by hand to prevent crossthreading.

Tighten the spark plug to the specified torque.

TORQUE: 12-19 N·m

(1.2-1.9 kg-m, 9-14 ft-lb)

Connect the spark plug cap.



VALVE CLEARANCE

NOTE

- Inspect and adjust valve clearance while the engine is cold (below 35°C/95°F).
- Make sure the decompressor valve lifter has free play.

Remove the timing mark hole cap. Remove the valve adjuster covers.

Rotate the crankshaft by using the recoil starter and align the "T" mark on the rotor with the index mark. The piston must be at TDC of the compression stroke.

