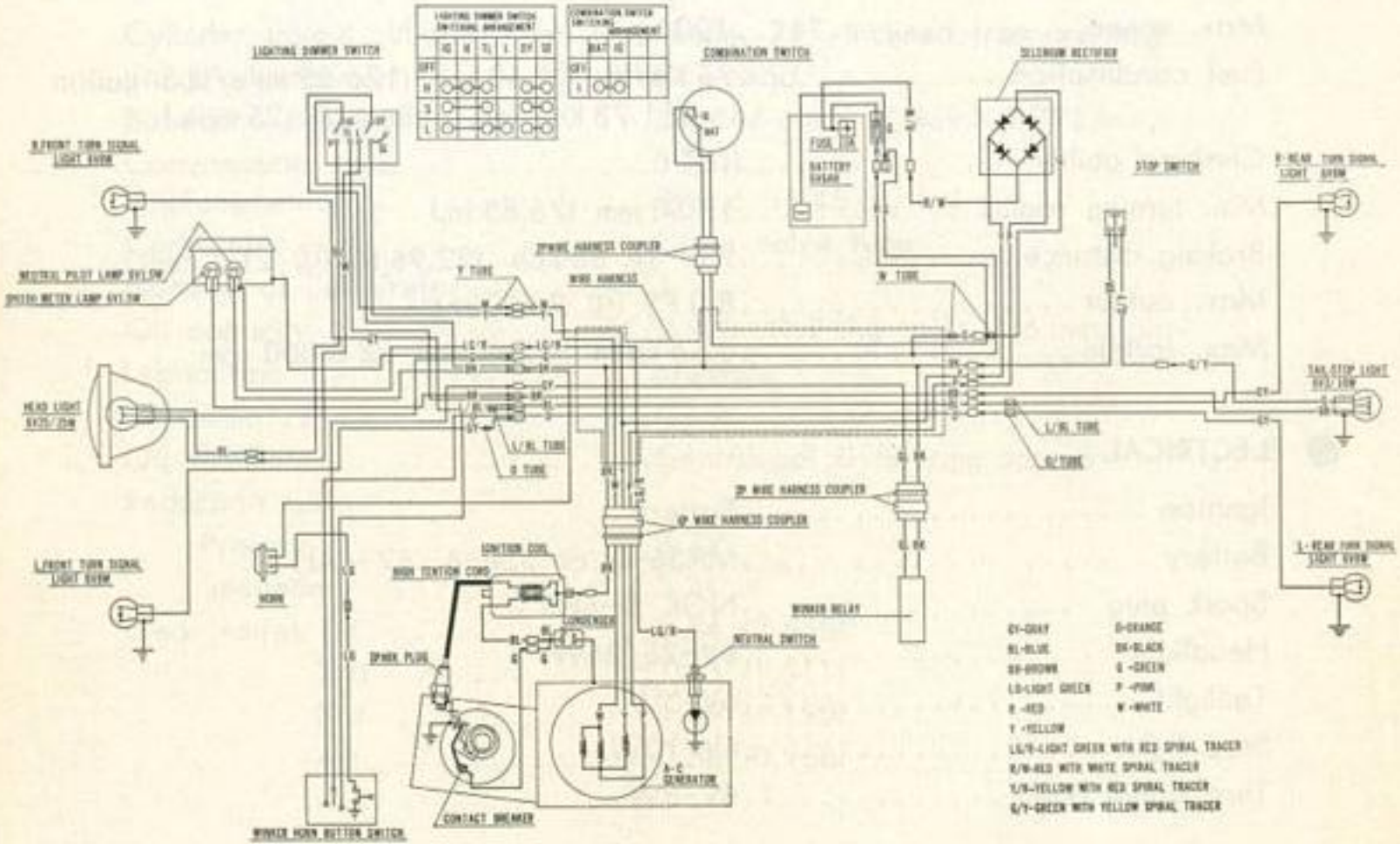GENERAL EXPORT TYPE