

### Choke Lever

The choke lever (Fig. 2-6) is on the left side of the carburetor. The choke has three positions: fully ON (C), halfway position (B), and fully OFF (A).

To start a cold engine when air temperature is 10–35 °C (50–90 °F), pull the choke lever up to fully ON before pressing the starter button. At colder air temperatures, pull the choke lever up to the fully ON position before pressing the starter button. As the engine warms, push the lever down to the halfway position. After the engine is warm, push the choke lever down to fully OFF. To restart a warm engine, it is not necessary to use the choke.

### CAUTION:

**Extended use of the choke may impair piston and cylinder wall lubrication and shorten the life of the engine.**

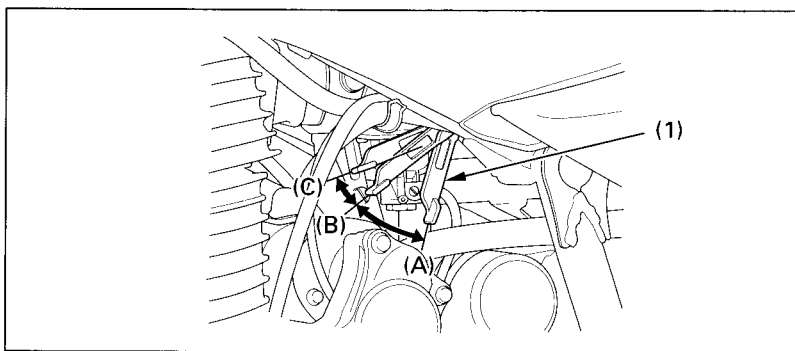


Fig. 2-6 (1) Choke lever

(A) Fully OFF  
(B) Halfway position  
(C) Fully ON