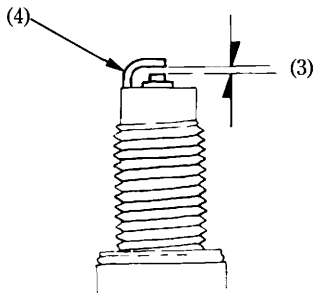


4. Check the spark plug gap (3) using a wire-type feeler gauge. If adjustment is necessary, bend the side electrode (4) carefully.

The gap should be:

0.80–0.90 mm (0.031–0.035 in)

Make sure the plug washer is in good condition.



(3) Spark plug gap

(4) Side electrode

5. With the plug washer attached, thread the spark plug in by hand to prevent cross-threading.
6. Tighten a new spark plug 1/2 turn with a spark plug wrench to compress the washer. If you are reusing a plug, it should only take 1/8–1/4 turn after the plug seats.
7. Reinstall the spark plug caps.

CAUTION:

- *The spark plug must be securely tightened. An improperly tightened plug can become very hot and possibly damage the engine.
- *Never use a spark plug with an improper heat range. Severe engine damage could result.