Before & After Competition Maintenance

Routine Cleaning

If your CRF is only slightly dirty, it is best to clean it by hand with the aid of a stiff bristled nylon brush and some clean rags.

Take care to prevent catching your fingers between the chain and sprocket.

A variety of reasonably priced cleaning brushes are available from variety, drug, food, and hardware stores. Some of these brushes are extremely useful in removing dirt from the many tight contours of the metal pieces of your CRF. Avoid using stiff, abrasive brushes on the plastic or rubber parts.

If your CRF was exposed to sea air or salt water, rinse it as soon as possible after the event, dry it, and apply a spray lubricant to all metal parts.

If you decide to wash your CRF or use cleaners, refer to *Appearance Care* (page 105).

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