Basic Operation

Selecting a AT/MT Mode

Your Honda SXS has 2 transmission modes: AT mode and MT mode.

AT AT mode:

This mode automatically shifts the gears with optimal timing according to your driving conditions.

You can temporarily shift up or down by operating the shift paddles while driving in AT mode. At the same time, the shifted gear is shown on the gear position indicator.

MT mode:

In this mode, the gears are shifted manually through shift paddle operation.

- Pulling the shift paddle does not continuously shift the gears. To continue shifting, release your fingers from the shift paddle, and then pull the shift paddle again.
- The gears do not shift up automatically in MT mode. Do not allow the engine to exceed the rev limit.
- The gears shift down automatically when you slow down, even in MT mode.
- You will start from 1st gear when MT mode is selected.
 For details on shift paddles operation in MT mode, see page 90.

When using the AT/MT switch to switch between AT mode and MT mode, be sure the shift select lever is in the high-range (H) or low-range (L) position.

Selecting SPORT Mode

SPORT SPORT mode:

When using the SPORT switch, shift the shift select lever to the high-range (H) position, and select AT mode. When SPORT mode is turned on, the SPORT indicator comes on.

In SPORT mode, high engine revolutions is used compared to normal AT mode.

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