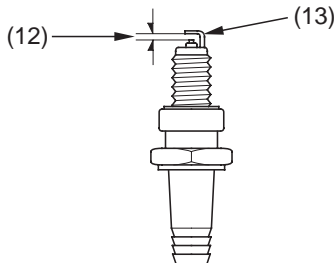


9. Check the spark plug gap (12) of each new plug, using a wire-type feeler gauge. If adjustment is necessary, bend the side electrode (13) carefully.

The gap should be:

0.031–0.035 in (0.80–0.90 mm)



(12) spark plug gap (13) side electrode

10. With the plug washers attached, thread the spark plugs in by hand to prevent cross-threading.

11. Tighten each spark plug:

- If the old plug is good:
 - 1/8 turn after it seats.
- If installing a new plug, tighten it twice to prevent loosening:
 - a) First, tighten the plug:
 - NGK: 3/4 turn after it seats.
 - DENSO: 1/2 turn after it seats.
 - b) Then loosen the plug.
 - c) Next, tighten the plug again:
 - 1/8 turn after it seats.

NOTICE

Improperly tightened spark plugs can damage the engine. If a plug is too loose, a piston may be damaged. If a plug is too tight, the threads may be damaged.

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