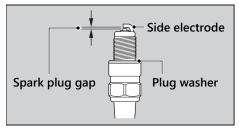
Spark Plug ► Checking Spark Plug

- **5.** Check the spark plug gap using a wiretype feeler gauge.
 - If adjustment is necessary, bend the side electrode carefully.

The gap should be:

0.03 - 0.04 in (0.8 - 0.9 mm)



- **6.** Make sure the plug washer is in good condition.
- 7. Install the spark plug. With the plug washer attached, thread the spark plug in by hand to prevent cross-threading.

- **8.** Tighten the 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: 1/2 turn after it seats.
 DENSO: 3/4 turn after it seats.
 - b) Then loosen the plug.
 - c) Next, tighten the plug again: 1/8 turn after it seats.

NOTICE

An improperly tightened spark plug 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.

- **9.** Install the parts in the reverse order of removal.
 - When reinstalling the spark plug cap, take care to avoid pinching any cables or wires.