

## STARTING THE ENGINE

Following are the procedures for starting a cold engine when air temperature is 10–35°C (50–95°F). (If you need help locating the controls, refer to pages 10–32 or the Index.)

1. Lock the parking brake, and make sure the transmission is in neutral. (The starter will not operate unless the transmission is in neutral.)
2. Turn the fuel valve, the fuel cap vent lever and the ignition switch ON.
3. Turn the engine stop switch to RUN.
4. Set the choke lever at the half choke position. Keep the throttle fully closed.
5. Press the starter button.

### **CAUTION:**

**Pressing the electric starter button for more than 5 seconds at a time may cause the starter to overheat and damage the starter. Release the starter button for approximately 10 seconds before pressing it again.**

6. After the engine has warmed up, turn the choke OFF.

If the engine is already warm, or if air temperature is above 35°C (95°F), do not use the choke, but open the throttle slightly before pressing the starter button.

If air temperature is below 10°C (50°F), move the choke lever to the full choke position before starting the engine. Keep the throttle fully closed. As the engine warms, move the choke to the half choke position. When the idle is smooth, turn the choke OFF.

When air temperature is below –15°C (5°F), push the starting primer knob once or twice before pressing the starter button.