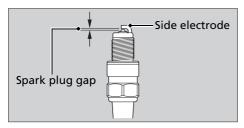
Maintenance

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

The gap should be:

0.031 to 0.035 in (0.80 to 0.90 mm)



- **6.** Make sure the plug washer is in good condition.
- **7.** 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: 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 lose, a piston may be damaged. If a plug is too tight, the threads may be damaged.

9. Reinstall the spark plug cap. Take care avoid pinching any cables or wires.