

## GENERAL INFORMATION

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### COOLANT

Under some conditions, the ethylene glycol in engine coolant is combustible and its flame is not visible. If the ethylene glycol does ignite, you will not see any flame, but you can be burned.

#### **▲WARNING**

- *Avoid spilling engine coolant on the exhaust system or engine parts. They may be hot enough to cause the coolant to ignite and burn without a visible flame.*
  - *Coolant (ethylene glycol) can cause some skin irritation and is poisonous if swallowed. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.*
  - *Do not remove the radiator cap when the engine is hot. The coolant is under pressure and could scald you.*
  - *Keep hands and clothing away from the cooling fan, as it starts automatically.*
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#### CAUTION:

*Using coolant with silicate inhibitors may cause premature water of water pump seals or brockage of radiator passages. Using tap water may cause engine damage.*

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## SERVICE RULES

1. Use genuine HONDA or HONDA-recommended parts and lubricants or their equivalents. Parts that don't meet HONDA's design specifications may cause damage to the motorcycle.
2. Use the special tools designed for this product to avoid damage and incorrect assembly.
3. Use only metric tools when servicing the motorcycle. Metric bolts, nuts and screws are not interchangeable with English fasteners.
4. Install new gaskets, O-rings, cotter pins, and lock plates when reassembling.
5. When tightening bolts or nuts, begin with the larger diameter or inner bolt first. Then tighten to the specified torque diagonally in incremental steps unless a particular sequence is specified.
6. Clean parts in cleaning solvent upon disassembly. Lubricate any sliding surfaces before reassembly.
7. After reassembly, check all parts for proper installation and operation.
8. Route all electrical wires as show on pages 1-24 through 1-35, Cable and Harness Routing.

### BATTERY HYDROGEN GAS & ELECTROLYTE

#### **▲WARNING**

- *The battery gives off explosive gases; keep sparks, flames and cigarettes away. Provide adequate ventilation when charging.*
  - *The battery contains sulfuric acid (electrolyte). Contact with skin or eyes may cause severe burns. Wear protective clothing and a face shield.*
    - *If electrolyte gets on your skin, flush with water.*
    - *If electrolyte gets in your eyes, flush with water for at least 15 minutes and call a physician immediately.*
  - *Electrolyte is poisonous.*
    - *If swallowed, drink large quantities of water or milk and follow with milk of magnesia or vegetable oil and call a physician. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.*
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