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GENERAL SAFETY

▲ WARNING

If the engine must be running to do some work, make sure the area is well-ventilated. Never run the engine in an enclosed area. The exhaust contains poisonous carbon monoxide gas that may cause loss of consciousness and lead to death.

▲ WARNING

The battery generates hydrogen gas which can be highly explosive. Do not smoke or allow flames or sparks near the battery, especially while charging it.

▲ WARNING

- Inhaled asbestos fibers have been found to cause respiratory disease and cancer. Never use an air hose or dry brush to clean brake or clutch assemblies.*
- Use an OSHA-approved vacuum cleaner or alternate method approved by OSHA designed to minimize the hazard caused by airborne asbestos fibers.*

▲ WARNING

Gasoline is extremely flammable and is explosive under certain conditions. Do not smoke or allow flames or sparks in your work area or where gasoline is stored.

▲ WARNING

The battery electrolyte contains sulfuric acid. Protect your eyes, skin and clothing. In the case of contact, flush thoroughly with water and call a doctor if electrolyte gets in your eyes.

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 vehicle.
2. Use the special tools designed for this product to avoid damage and incorrect assembly.
3. Use only metric tools when servicing the vehicle. 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 non-flammable or high flash point solvent upon disassembly.
7. Lubricate any sliding surfaces before reassembly.
8. After reassembly, check all parts for proper installation and operation.