If Your Engine Quits or Won't Start

SYMPTOM: Starter motor doesn't operate.	
POSSIBLE CAUSE	WHAT TO DO
ignition switch OFF	Turn the ignition switch ON.
engine stop switch OFF	Slide the engine stop switch to RUN.
transmission not in neutral	Shift into neutral.
blown fuse	Replace with a new fuse of the same rating (page 192).
battery lead loose	Tighten the battery lead.
low (or dead) battery	Charge the battery (page 166). If charging doesn't help, see your Honda dealer.
faulty starter motor	If all possible causes are negative, the starter motor may be faulty. See your Honda dealer.

SYMPTOM: Starter motor works, but the engine won't start.

WHAT TO DO
Fill the fuel tank.
See Flooded Engine (page 69).
Install the spark plug cap securely. If
the engine still won't start, see your
Honda dealer.
Tighten the battery terminal bolts.
Charge the battery (page 166). If
charging doesn't help, see your
Honda dealer.

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