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	Shift into neutral or pull in the clutch
neutral	lever.
blown fuse	Replace with a new fuse of the
	same rating (page 186).
battery lead loose	Tighten the battery lead.
low (or dead) battery	Charge the battery (page158).
	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.	
POSSIBLE CAUSE	WHAT TO DO
out of fuel	Fill the fuel tank.
flooded engine	See Flooded Engine (page 55).
loose or	Install the spark plug cap securely. If
unconnected spark	the engine still won't start, see your
plug cap	Honda dealer.
loose battery cables	Tighten the battery terminal bolts.
weak battery	Charge the battery (page 158). If
	charging doesn't help, see your
	Honda dealer.