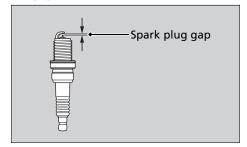
- **8.** Inspect the electrodes and center porcelain for deposits, erosion or carbon fouling.
 - ► If the erosion or deposit is heavy, replace the plug.
- 9. Make sure that a 1.0 mm wire-type feeler gauge cannot be inserted between the spark plug gap. If the gauge fits in the gap, replace the plug with a new one



10. Make sure the plug washer is in good condition.

- **11.** Install the spark plug. With the plug washer attached, thread the spark plug in by hand to prevent cross-threading.
- **12.** 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: 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 plug can damage the engine. If a plug is too loose, a piston may be damaged. If a plug is too tight, the threads may be damaged.

- **13.** Reinstall the spark plug cap. Take care avoid pinching any cables or wires.
- **14.** Install the parts in the reverse order of removal.