

## FOREWORD

This Arctic Cat Service Manual contains service, maintenance, and troubleshooting information for the 2011 Arctic Cat 350/425 ATV models. The complete manual is designed to aid service personnel in service-oriented applications.

This manual is divided into sections. Each section covers a specific ATV component or system and, in addition to the standard service procedures, includes disassembling, inspecting, and assembling instructions. When using this manual as a guide, the technician should use discretion as to how much disassembly is needed to correct any given condition.

The service technician should become familiar with the operation and construction of each component or system by carefully studying the complete manual. This manual will assist the service technician in becoming more aware of and efficient with servicing procedures. Such efficiency not only helps build consumer confidence but also saves time and labor.

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# SECTION 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION/ SPECIFICATIONS

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# General Specifications

CHASSIS	
Brake Type	Hydraulic w/Brake Lever Lock and Auxiliary Brake
Tire Size	(350) Front - 24 x 8-12 Rear - 24 x 10-12 (425) Front - 25 x 8-12 Rear - 25 x 10-12
Tire Inflation Pressure	27.6 kPa (4 psi)
MISCELLANY	
Gas Tank Capacity (rated)	15.1 L (4.0 U.S. gal.)
Rear Drive Capacity	250 ml (8.5 fl oz)*
Front Differential Capacity	275 ml (9.3 fl oz)**
Coolant Capacity (425)	2.9 L (3.0 U.S. qt)
Engine Oil Capacity	3.3 L (3.5 U.S. qt) - Overhaul 2.8 L (3.0 U.S. qt) - Change
Gasoline (recommended)	87 Octane Regular Unleaded
Engine Oil (recommended)	Arctic Cat ACX All Weather (Synthetic)
Differential/Rear Drive Lubricant	SAE Approved 80W-90 Hypoid
Drive Belt Width (minimum)	28.5 mm (1.12 in.)
Brake Fluid	DOT 4
Taillight/Brakelight	12V/5W/21W
Headlight	12V/35W (4)

Specifications subject to change without notice.  
\* One inch below plug threads.  
\*\* At the plug threads.

# Torque Specifications

EXHAUST COMPONENTS			
Part	Part Bolted To	Torque	
		ft-lb	N-m
Exhaust Pipe	Engine	20	27
Spark Arrester	Muffler	48 in.-lb	5.5
ELECTRICAL COMPONENTS			
Coil	Frame	12	16
Starter Motor Positive Cable	Starter Motor	8	11
STEERING COMPONENTS			
Steering Post Bearing Housing	Frame	20	27
Handlebar Cap	Steering Post	20	27
Lower Steering Post Bearing Cap Screw	Steering Post	40	54
Tie Rod End**	Steering Post Arm	30	41
CHASSIS COMPONENTS			
Footrest	Frame (8 mm)	20	27
Bumper	Frame (8 mm)	20	27

ENGINE/TRANSMISSION			
Part	Part Bolted To	Torque	
		ft-lb	N-m
Clutch Shoe**	Crankshaft	147	199
Clutch Cover/Housing Assembly	Crankcase	8	11
Left-Side Cover	Crankcase	8	11
Crankcase Half (6 mm)	Crankcase Half	10	13.5
Crankcase Half (8 mm)	Crankcase Half	21	28
Cylinder Nut	Crankcase Half	8	11
Cylinder Head (Cap Screw)	Crankcase	28	38
Cylinder Head Nut	Cylinder	20	27
Cylinder Head (6 mm) (350)	Cylinder	8	11
Cylinder Head (8 mm) (350)	Cylinder	20	27
Cylinder Head Cover (350)	Cylinder Head	8	11
Oil Pump Drive Gear**	Crankshaft	63	86
Driven Pulley Nut**	Driveshaft	147	199
Ground Cable	Engine	8	11
Output Shaft Flange Nut (350)	Output Shaft	74	101
Magneto Rotor Nut	Crankshaft	107	146
Cam Sprocket**	Camshaft	11	15
V-Belt Cover	Crankcase	8	11
Valve Adjuster Jam Nut	Valve Adjuster	7	9.5
Starter Motor	Crankcase	8	11
Valve Cover	Crankcase	8	11
Oil Fitting	Engine	8	11
Oil Pump*	Crankcase	8	11
Movable Drive Face Nut**	Clutch Shaft	147	199
Oil Cooler Hose Clamps	Engine/Oil Cooler	30 in.-lb	3.4
Output Shaft Flange Nut (425)	Output Shaft	59	80
Cam Chain Tensioner Guide (425)	Cylinder	11	15
Tappet Cover (425)	Valve Cover	8	11
Cam Chain Tensioner (425)	Cylinder	10	13.5
Magneto Cover (425)	Crankcase	8	11
Rear Driveline (425)	Output Drive Flange	20	27
Water Pump Cover/Housing (425)	Magneto Cover	8	11
Water Pump Drive Gear (425)	Crankshaft	28	38
SUSPENSION COMPONENTS (Front)			
A-Arm	Frame	35	47
Knuckle	Ball Joint	35	47
Shock Absorber	Frame	35	47
Shock Absorber	Upper A-Arm	35	47
Knuckle	A-Arm	35	47
SUSPENSION COMPONENTS (Rear)			
Shock Absorber (Upper)	Frame	35	47
Shock Absorber (Lower)	Lower A-Arm	35	47
A-Arm	Frame	35	47
Knuckle	A-Arm	35	47

\* w/Blue Loctite #243  
\*\* w/Red Loctite #271  
\*\*\* w/Green Loctite #609

DRIVE TRAIN COMPONENTS			
Part	Part Bolted To	Torque ft-lb N-m	
Engine Mounting Through-Bolt	Frame	38	52
Front Differential	Frame/Differential Bracket	38	52
Output Flange	Rear Flange Output Joint	20	27
Input Shaft Housing	Differential Housing	18	25
Pinion Housing	Gear Case Housing	18	25
Differential Housing Cover***	Differential Housing	18	25
Drive Bevel Gear Nut**	Shaft	59	80
Driven Bevel Gear Nut**	Driven Shaft	59	80
Thrust Button	Gear Case Cover	8	11
Hub Nut	Shaft/Axle (max)	200	272
Oil Drain Plug	Front Differential/Rear Drive	45 in.- lb	5
Oil Fill Plug	Front Differential/Rear Drive	16	22
Oil Drain Plug	Engine	20	27
Rear Drive Input Shaft Housing	Differential Housing	23	31
Lock Collar	Differential Housing	125	169
Wheel	Hub	40	54
Rear Drive Gear Case	Frame	38	52
Engine Output Flange	Rear Gear Case Input Flange	20	27
BRAKE COMPONENTS			
Brake Disc*	Hub	15	20
Brake Hose	Caliper	20	27
Brake Hose	Master Cylinder	20	27
Brake Hose	Auxiliary Brake Cylinder	20	27
Master Cylinder (Rear)	Frame	8	11
Master Cylinder Clamp (Front)	Master Cylinder	5.5	8
Hydraulic Caliper	Knuckle	20	27
Auxiliary Brake Pedal	Pivot	20	27

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## Torque Conversions (ft-lb/N-m)

ft-lb	N-m	ft-lb	N-m	ft-lb	N-m	ft-lb	N-m
1	1.4	26	35.4	51	69.4	76	103.4
2	2.7	27	36.7	52	70.7	77	104.7
3	4.1	28	38.1	53	72.1	78	106.1
4	5.4	29	39.4	54	73.4	79	107.4
5	6.8	30	40.8	55	74.8	80	108.8
6	8.2	31	42.2	56	76.2	81	110.2
7	9.5	32	43.5	57	77.5	82	111.5
8	10.9	33	44.9	58	78.9	83	112.9
9	12.2	34	46.2	59	80.2	84	114.2
10	13.6	35	47.6	60	81.6	85	115.6
11	15	36	49	61	83	86	117
12	16.3	37	50.3	62	84.3	87	118.3
13	17.7	38	51.7	63	85.7	88	119.7
14	19	39	53	64	87	89	121
15	20.4	40	54.4	65	88.4	90	122.4
16	21.8	41	55.8	66	89.8	91	123.8
17	23.1	42	57.1	67	91.1	92	125.1
18	24.5	43	58.5	68	92.5	93	126.5
19	25.8	44	59.8	69	93.8	94	127.8
20	27.2	45	61.2	70	95.2	95	129.2
21	28.6	46	62.6	71	96.6	96	130.6
22	29.9	47	63.9	72	97.9	97	131.9
23	31.3	48	65.3	73	99.3	98	133.3
24	32.6	49	66.6	74	100.6	99	134.6
25	34	50	68	75	102	100	136

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## Break-In Procedure

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A new ATV and an overhauled ATV engine require a “break-in” period. The first 10 hours (or 200 miles) are most critical to the life of this ATV. Proper operation during this break-in period will help assure maximum life and performance from the ATV.

During the first 10 hours (or 200 miles) of operation, always use less than 1/2 throttle. Varying the engine RPM during the break-in period allows the components to “load” (aiding the mating process) and then “unload” (allowing components to cool). Although it is essential to place some stress on the engine components during break-in, care should be taken not to overload the engine too often. Do not pull a trailer or carry heavy loads during the 10-hour break-in period.

When the engine starts, allow it to warm up properly. Idle the engine several minutes until the engine has reached normal operating temperature. Do not idle the engine for excessively long periods of time.

During the break-in period, a maximum of 1/2 throttle is recommended; however, brief full-throttle accelerations and variations in driving speeds contribute to good engine break-in.

After the completion of the break-in period, the engine oil and oil filter should be changed. Other maintenance after break-in should include checking of all prescribed adjustments and tightening of all fasteners.

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## Gasoline - Oil - Lubricant

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### RECOMMENDED GASOLINE

The recommended gasoline to use is 87 minimum octane regular unleaded. In many areas, oxygenates (either ethanol or MTBE) are added to the gasoline. Oxygenated gasolines containing up to 10% ethanol, 5% methane, or 5% MTBE are acceptable gasolines.

When using ethanol blended gasoline, it is not necessary to add a gasoline antifreeze since ethanol will prevent the accumulation of moisture in the fuel system.

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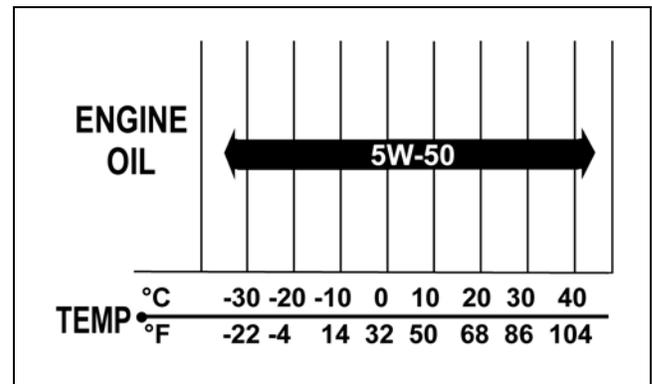
Do not use white gas. Only Arctic Cat approved gasoline additives should be used.

### RECOMMENDED ENGINE/ TRANSMISSION OIL

#### CAUTION

Any oil used in place of the recommended oil could cause serious engine damage. Do not use oils which contain graphite or molybdenum additives. These oils can adversely affect clutch operation. Also, not recommended are racing, vegetable, non-detergent, and castor-based oils.

The recommended oil to use is Arctic Cat ACX All Weather synthetic engine oil, which has been specifically formulated for use in this Arctic Cat engine. Although Arctic Cat ACX All Weather synthetic engine oil is the only oil recommended for use in this engine, use of any API certified SM 5W-50 oil is acceptable.



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### RECOMMENDED FRONT DIFFERENTIAL/REAR DRIVE LUBRICANT

The recommended lubricant is Arctic Cat Gear Lube or an equivalent gear lube which is SAE approved 80W-90 hypoid. This lubricant meets all of the lubrication requirements of the Arctic Cat ATV front differentials and rear drives.

#### CAUTION

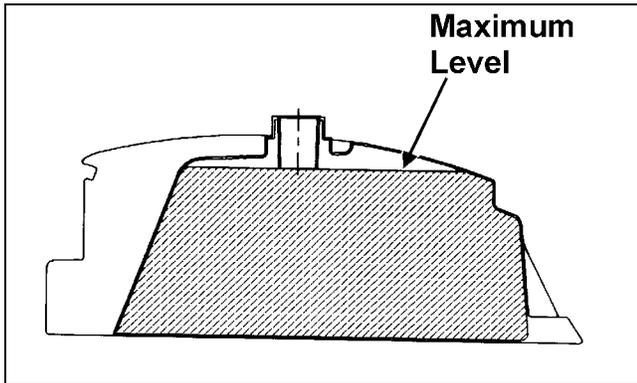
Any lubricant used in place of the recommended lubricant could cause serious front differential/rear drive damage.

### FILLING GAS TANK

#### ⚠ WARNING

Always fill the gas tank in a well-ventilated area. Never add fuel to the ATV gas tank near any open flames or with the engine running. DO NOT SMOKE while filling the gas tank.

Since gasoline expands as its temperature rises, the gas tank must be filled to its rated capacity only. Expansion room must be maintained in the tank particularly if the tank is filled with cold gasoline and then moved to a warm area.



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**⚠ WARNING**

**Do not overflow gasoline when filling the gas tank. A fire hazard could materialize. Always allow the engine to cool before filling the gas tank.**

Tighten the gas tank cap securely after filling the tank.

**⚠ WARNING**

**Do not over-fill the gas tank.**

## Genuine Parts

When replacement of parts is necessary, use only genuine Arctic Cat ATV parts. They are precision-made to ensure high quality and correct fit. Refer to the Illustrated Parts Manual for the correct part number, quantity, and description.

## Preparation For Storage

**CAUTION**

**Prior to storing the ATV, it must be properly serviced to prevent rusting and component deterioration.**

Arctic Cat recommends the following procedure to prepare the ATV for storage.

1. Clean the seat cushion (cover and base) with a damp cloth and allow it to dry.
2. Clean the ATV thoroughly by washing dirt, oil, grass, and other foreign matter from the entire ATV. Allow the ATV to dry thoroughly. **DO NOT** get water into any part of the engine or air intake.

3. Either drain the gas tank or add Fuel Stabilizer to the gas in the gas tank. Remove the air filter housing cover and air filter. Start the engine and allow it to idle; then using Arctic Cat Engine Storage Preserver, rapidly inject the preserver into the air filter opening for a period of 10 to 20 seconds; then stop the engine. Install the air filter and housing cover.

**CAUTION**

**If the interior of the air filter housing is dirty, clean the area before starting the engine.**

4. On the 350, drain the carburetor float chamber.
5. Plug the exhaust outlet on the muffler with a clean cloth.
6. Apply light oil to the upper steering post bushing and plungers of the shock absorbers.
7. Tighten all nuts, bolts, cap screws, and screws. Make sure rivets holding components together are tight. Replace all loose rivets. Care must be taken that all calibrated nuts, cap screws, and bolts are tightened to specifications.
8. On the 425, fill the cooling system to the bottom of the stand pipe in the radiator neck with properly mixed coolant.
9. On the 350, turn the gas tank valve to the OFF position.
10. Disconnect the battery cables; then remove the battery, clean the battery posts and cables, and store in a clean, dry area.
11. Store the ATV indoors in a level position.

**CAUTION**

**Avoid storing outside in direct sunlight and avoid using a plastic cover as moisture will collect on the ATV causing rusting.**

## Preparation After Storage

Taking the ATV out of storage and correctly preparing it will assure many miles and hours of trouble-free riding. Arctic Cat recommends the following procedure to prepare the ATV.

1. Clean the ATV thoroughly.
2. Clean the engine. Remove the cloth from the muffler.
3. Check all control cables for signs of wear or fraying. Replace if necessary.
4. Change the engine/transmission oil and filter.

5. On the 425, check the coolant level and add properly mixed coolant as necessary.
6. Charge the battery; then install. Connect the battery cables.

**CAUTION**

The ignition switch must be in the OFF position prior to installing the battery or damage may occur to the ignition system.

**CAUTION**

Connect the positive battery cable first; then the negative.

6. Check the entire brake systems (fluid level, pads, etc.), all controls, lights, and headlight aim; adjust or replace as necessary.
7. Tighten all nuts, bolts, cap screws, and screws making sure all calibrated nuts, cap screws, and bolts are tightened to specifications.
8. Check tire pressure. Inflate to recommended pressure as necessary.
9. Make sure the steering moves freely and does not bind.
10. Check the spark plug. Clean or replace as necessary.

# SECTION 2 - PERIODIC MAINTENANCE

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# Periodic Maintenance

This section has been organized into sub-sections which show common maintenance procedures for the Arctic Cat ATV.

## SPECIAL TOOLS

A number of special tools must be available to the technician when performing service procedures in this section. Refer to the current Special Tools Catalog for the appropriate tool description.

Description	p/n
Compression Tester Kit	0444-213
Oil Filter Wrench	0644-389
Tachometer	0644-275
Timing Light	0644-296
Valve Clearance Adjuster	0444-078

■NOTE: Special tools are available from the Arctic Cat Service Parts Department.

# Periodic Maintenance Chart

A = Adjust I = Inspect C = Clean L = Lubricate D = Drain R = Replace T = Tighten

Item	Initial Service After Break-In (First Mo or 100 Mi)	Every Day	Every Month or 100 Miles	Every 3 Months or 300 Miles	Every 6 Months or 500 Miles	Every Year or 1500 Miles	As Needed
Battery	I		I				C
Fuses				I			R
Air Filter/Drain Tube	I	I	C*				R
Valve/Tappet Clearance	I				I		A
Engine Compression						I	
Spark Plug	I			I			R (4000 Mi or 18 Mo)
Muffler/Spark Arrester					C		R
Gas/Vent Hoses	I	I					R (2 Yrs)
Throttle Cable	I	I			C-L		A-R
Carburetor Float Chamber (350)				D*			
Engine Idle RPM (350)	I				I		A
Engine-Transmission Oil Level		I					A
Engine-Transmission Oil/Filter	R			R*/R**/R***			
Front Differential/Rear Drive Lubricant	I		I				R (4 Yrs)
Tires/Air Pressure	I	I					R
Steering Components	I	I		I			R
V-Belt	I				I		R
Suspension (Ball joint boots, drive axle boots front and rear, tie rods, differential and rear drive bellows)	I	I					R
Nuts/Cap Screws/Screws	I		I				A
Ignition Timing						I	
Lights	I	I					R
Switches	I	I					R
Shift Lever					I		A-L
Handlebar Grips		I					R
Handlebar	I	I					R
Gauges/Indicators	I	I					R
Frame/Welds/Racks	I				I		
Electrical Connections	I				I		C
Complete Brake System (Hydraulic & Auxiliary)	I	I		C			L-R
Brake Pads	I			I*			R
Brake Fluid	I			I			R (2 Yrs)
Brake Hoses	I			I			R (4 Yrs)
Coolant/Coolant System (425)	I		I				R (2 Yrs)

\* Service/Inspect more frequently when operating in adverse conditions.

\*\* When using an API certified SM 5W-50 oil.

\*\*\* When using Arctic Cat ACX All Weather synthetic oil, oil change interval can be increased to every 1,000 miles or every year.

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## Lubrication Points

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It is advisable to lubricate certain components periodically to ensure free movement. Apply light oil to the components using the following list as reference.

- A. Throttle Lever Pivot/Cable Ends
- B. Brake Lever Pivot/Cable Ends
- C. Auxiliary Brake Cable Ends
- D. Shift Lever Cable End

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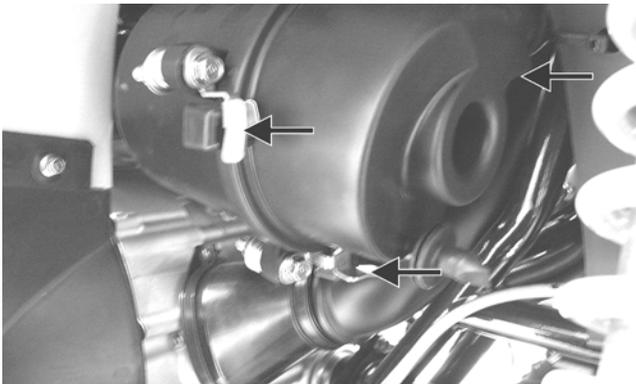
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## Air Filter

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### CLEANING AND INSPECTING FILTER

1. Rotate the three locking tabs free of the lugs on the air filter cover; then rotate the cover forward and away from the filter housing.

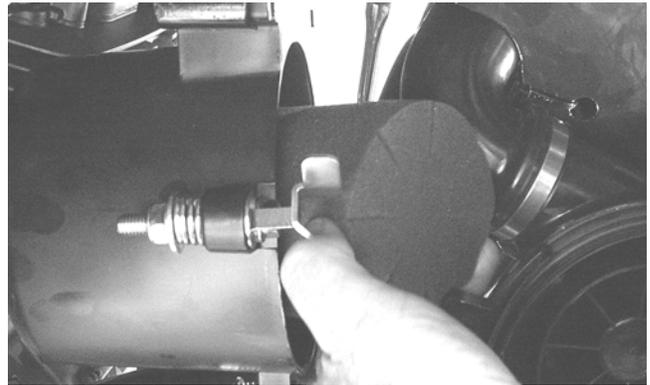


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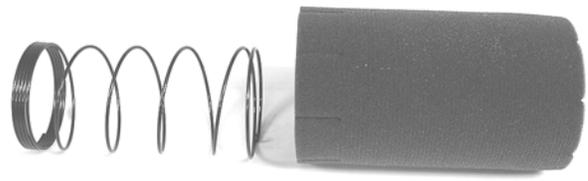


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2. Remove the foam filter element from the air filter housing and separate the foam element from the spring.



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3. Fill a wash pan larger than the element with a non-flammable cleaning solvent; then dip the element in the solvent and wash it.

■ **NOTE: Foam Air Filter Cleaner and Foam Air Filter Oil are available from Arctic Cat.**

4. Dry the element.
5. Put the element in a plastic bag; then pour in air filter oil and work the oil into the element. Insert the forming spring into the element with the closely wrapped end of the spring toward the open end of the element.

### CAUTION

A torn air filter element can cause damage to the ATV engine. Dirt and dust may get inside the engine if the element is torn. Carefully examine the element for tears before and after cleaning it. Replace the element with a new one if it is torn.

6. Clean any dirt or debris from inside the air cleaner. Be sure no dirt enters the carburetor (350).
7. Place the filter assembly in the air filter housing making sure it is properly positioned and properly seated with the filter element straight in the housing.

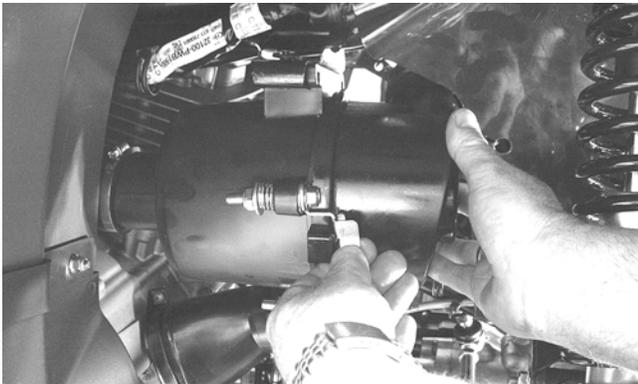


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**CAUTION**

Failure to properly seat and align the filter element may cause severe engine damage.

8. Install the air filter housing cover and secure with the locking tabs.



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**CHECKING AND CLEANING DRAIN**

1. Inspect the drain on the filter housing cover and clean out any dirt or debris.



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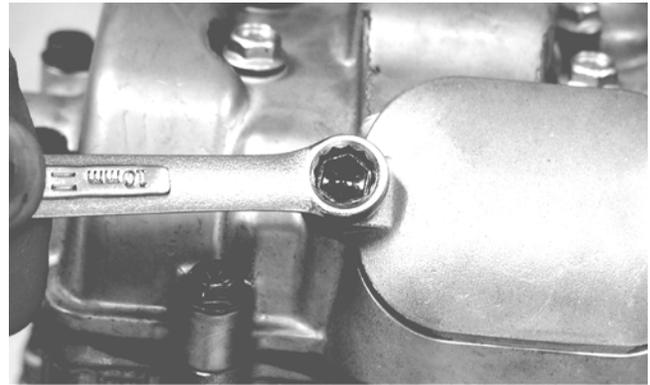
2. Replace any drain that is cracked or shows any signs of hardening or deterioration.
3. Wipe any accumulation of oil or gas from the filter housing and drain.

**Valve/Tappet Clearance**

To check and adjust valve/tappet clearance, use the following procedure.

■NOTE: The seat, left-side and right-side engine covers, and gas tank must be removed for this procedure.

1. Remove the timing inspection plug and spark plug; then remove the tappet covers (for more detailed information, see Engine/Transmission - Servicing Top-Side Components).



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2. Rotate the crankshaft to the TDC position on the compression stroke.

■NOTE: At this point, the rocker arms and adjuster screws must not have pressure on them.

**Feeler Gauge Procedure**

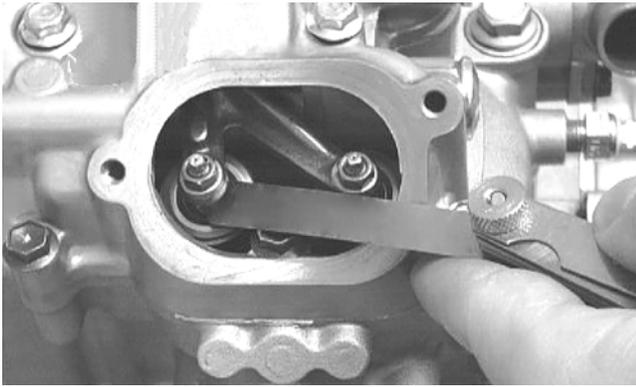
Using a feeler gauge, check each valve/tappet clearance. If clearance is not within specifications, loosen the jam nut and rotate the tappet adjuster screw until the clearance is within specifications. Tighten each jam nut securely after completing the adjustment.

**CAUTION**

The feeler gauge must be positioned at the same angle as the valve and valve adjuster for an accurate measurement of clearance. Failure to measure the valve clearance accurately could cause valve component damage.

**VALVE/TAPPET CLEARANCE**

Intake	0.076-0.127 mm (0.003-0.005 in.)
Exhaust	0.152-0.203 mm (0.006-0.008 in.)



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## Valve Adjuster Procedure

- A. Place the Valve Clearance Adjuster onto the jam nut securing the tappet adjuster screw; then rotate the valve adjuster dial clockwise until the end is seated in the tappet adjuster screw.
- B. While holding the valve adjuster dial in place, use the valve adjuster handle and loosen the jam nut; then rotate the tappet adjuster screw clockwise until friction is felt.
- C. Align the valve adjuster handle with one of the marks on the valve adjuster dial.
- D. While holding the valve adjuster handle in place, rotate the valve adjuster dial counter-clockwise until proper valve/tappet clearance is attained.

■**NOTE:** Refer to the appropriate specifications in **Feeler Gauge Procedure** sub-section for the proper valve/tappet clearance.

■**NOTE:** Rotating the valve adjuster dial counter-clockwise will open the valve/tappet clearance by 0.05 mm (0.002 in.) per mark.

- E. While holding the adjuster dial at the proper clearance setting, tighten the jam nut securely with the valve adjuster handle.
3. Install the timing inspection plug.
  4. Place the two tappet covers with O-rings into position; then tighten the covers securely.
  5. Install the spark plug; then install the timing inspection plug.

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## Testing Engine Compression

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To test engine compression, use the following procedure.

1. Remove the high tension lead from the spark plug.

2. Using compressed air, blow any debris from around the spark plug.

### **⚠ WARNING**

**Always wear safety glasses when using compressed air.**

3. Remove the spark plug; then attach the high tension lead to the plug and ground the plug on the cylinder head well away from the spark plug hole.
4. Attach the Compression Tester Kit.

■**NOTE:** The engine must be warm and the battery must be fully charged for this test.

5. While holding the throttle lever in the full-open position, crank the engine over with the electric starter until the gauge shows a peak reading of 95-115 psi (five to 10 compression strokes).
6. If compression is abnormally low, inspect the following items.
  - A. Verify starter cranks engine over at normal speed (approximately 400 RPM).
  - B. Gauge functioning properly.
  - C. Throttle lever in the full-open position.
  - D. Valve/tappet clearance correct.
  - E. Valve not bent or burned.
  - F. Valve seat not burned.

■**NOTE:** To service valves, see **Engine/Transmission**.

7. Pour approximately 30 ml (1 fl oz) of oil into the spark plug hole, reattach the gauge, and retest compression.
8. If compression is now evident, service the piston rings (see **Engine/Transmission**).

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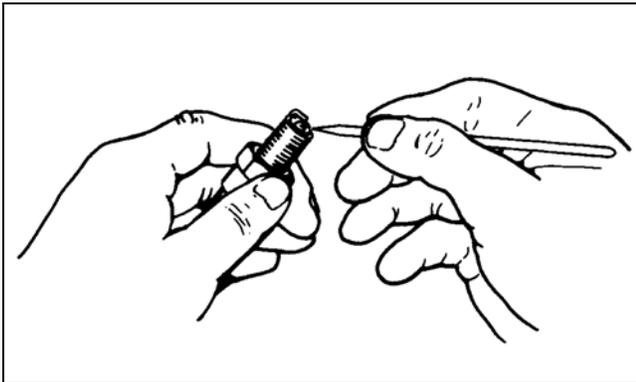


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## Spark Plug

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A light brown insulator indicates that a plug is correct. A white or dark insulator indicates that the engine may need to be serviced or the carburetor may need to be adjusted (350). To maintain a hot, strong spark, keep the plug free of carbon.

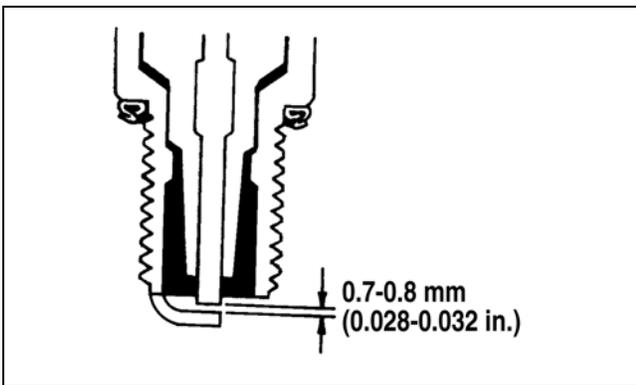


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### CAUTION

Before removing a spark plug, be sure to clean the area around the spark plug. Dirt could enter engine when removing or installing the spark plug.

Adjust the gap to 0.7-0.8 mm (0.028-0.032 in.) for proper ignition. Use a feeler gauge to check the gap.



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When installing the spark plug, be sure to tighten it securely. A new spark plug should be tightened 1/2 turn once the washer contacts the cylinder head. A used spark plug should be tightened 1/8 - 1/4 turn once the washer contacts the cylinder head.

## Liquid Cooling System (425)

■NOTE: Debris in front of the engine or packed between the cooling fins of the radiator can reduce cooling capability. Using a garden hose, wash the radiator to remove any debris preventing air flow.

### CAUTION

Arctic Cat does not recommend using a pressure washer to clean the radiator core. The pressure may bend or flatten the fins causing restricted air flow, and electrical components on the radiator could be damaged. Use only a garden hose with spray nozzle at normal tap pressure.

The cooling system capacity can be found in the specifications chart. The cooling system should be inspected daily for leakage and damage. If leakage or damage is detected, take the ATV to an authorized Arctic Cat ATV dealer for service. Also, the coolant level should be checked periodically.

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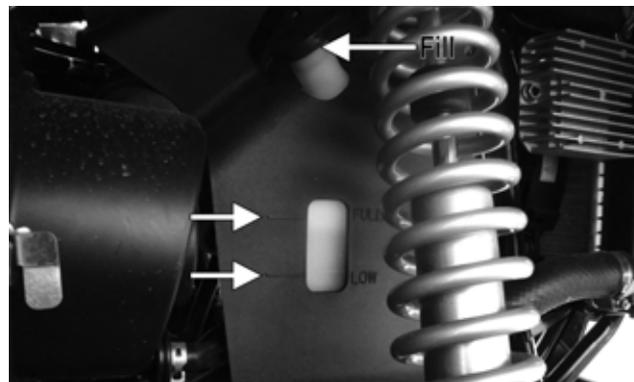
Continued operation of the ATV with high engine temperature may result in engine damage or premature wear.

■NOTE: High engine RPM, low vehicle speed, or heavy load can raise engine temperature. Decreasing engine RPM, reducing load, and selecting an appropriate transmission gear can lower the temperature.

When filling the cooling system, use a coolant/water mixture which will satisfy the coldest anticipated weather conditions of the area in accordance with the coolant manufacturer's recommendations. While the cooling system is being filled, air pockets may develop; therefore, run the engine for five minutes after the initial fill, shut the engine off, and then fill the cooling system to the bottom of the stand pipe in the radiator neck.

### Checking/Filling

1. Locate the coolant reservoir on the right side behind the radiator.



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2. Remove the cap and fill with the appropriate coolant until coolant level is between the LOW and FULL lines. Do not overfill.
3. Install the cap on the reservoir.

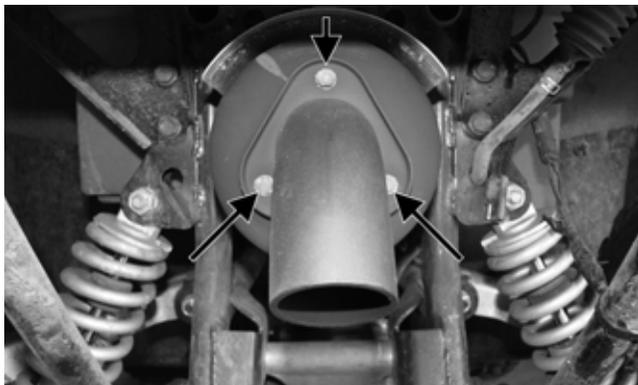
## Muffler/Spark Arrester

At the intervals shown in the Periodic Maintenance Chart, clean the spark arrester using the following procedure.

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Wait until the muffler cools to avoid burns.

1. Remove the cap screws securing the spark arrester assembly to the muffler; then loosen and remove the arrester.



2. Using a suitable brush, clean the carbon deposits from the screen taking care not to damage the screen.

■NOTE: If the screen or gasket is damaged in any way, it must be replaced.

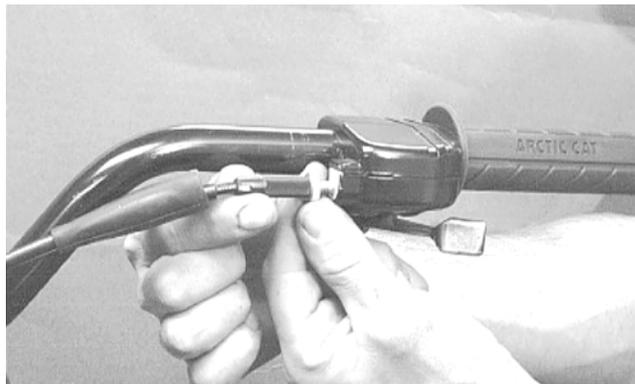
3. Install the spark arrester assembly with gasket; then secure with the cap screws. Tighten to 48 in.-lb.



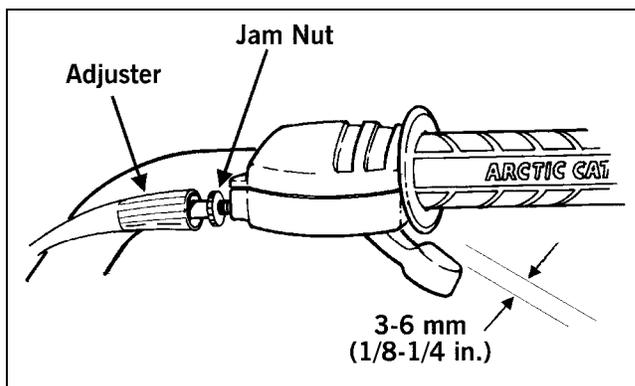
## Adjusting Throttle Cable

To adjust the throttle cable free-play, follow this procedure.

1. Slide the rubber boot away; then loosen the jam nut from the throttle cable adjuster.



2. Turn the adjuster until the throttle cable has proper free-play of 3-6 mm (1/8-1/4 in.) at the lever.



3. Tighten the jam nut against the throttle cable adjuster securely; then slide the rubber boot over the adjuster.

## Adjusting Engine RPM (Idle)

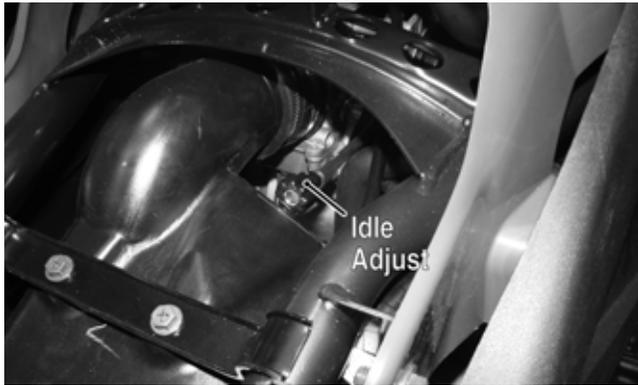
■NOTE: Engine idle RPM is not adjustable on the 425.

To properly adjust the idle RPM, a tachometer is necessary. To adjust idle RPM, use the following procedure.

1. With the transmission in neutral, start the engine and warm it up to normal operating temperature.
2. Turn the idle adjustment screw clockwise one turn past the recommended RPM setting; then turn it counterclockwise to 1250-1350 RPM.

■NOTE: The idle adjustment screw is located under the seat.

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**⚠ WARNING**

Adjust the idle to the correct RPM. Make sure the engine is at normal operating temperature before adjusting the idle RPM.

## Engine/Transmission Oil - Filter

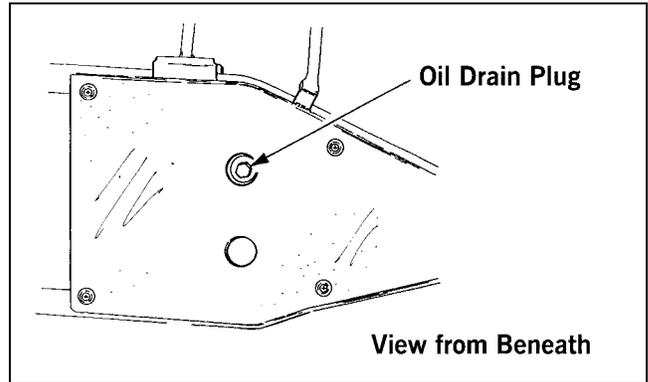
The engine should always be warm when the oil is changed so the oil will drain easily and completely.

1. Park the ATV on level ground.
2. Remove the seat and left-side engine cover.
3. Remove the oil level stick/filler plug.



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4. Remove the drain plug from the bottom of the engine and drain the oil into a drain pan.



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5. Remove the oil filter plug from the filter mounting boss (located on the front side of the transmission case) and allow the filter to drain completely. Install the plug and tighten securely.
6. Using the adjustable Oil Filter Wrench and a suitable wrench, remove the old oil filter.

■NOTE: Clean up any excess oil after removing the filter.

7. Apply oil to a new filter seal ring and check to make sure it is positioned correctly; then install the new oil filter. Tighten securely.
8. Install the engine drain plug and tighten to 20 ft-lb. Pour the specified amount of the recommended oil in the filler hole. Install the oil level stick/filler plug.

**CAUTION**

Any oil used in place of the recommended oil could cause serious engine damage. Do not use oils which contain graphite or molybdenum additives. These oils can adversely affect clutch operation. Also, not recommended are racing, vegetable, non-detergent, and castor-based oils.

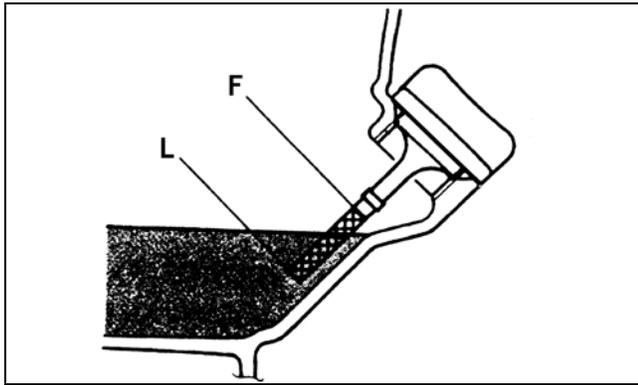
9. Start the engine (while the ATV is outside on level ground) and allow it to idle for a few minutes.
10. Turn the engine off and wait approximately one minute.
11. Remove the oil level stick and wipe it with a clean cloth.
12. Install the oil level into engine case.

■NOTE: The oil level stick should be threaded into the case for checking purposes.

13. Remove the oil level stick; the engine oil level should be above the illustrated "L" mark but not higher than the illustrated "F" mark.

**CAUTION**

Do not over-fill the engine with oil. Always make sure that the oil level is above the "L" mark but not higher than the "F" mark.



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14. Inspect the area around the drain plug and oil filter for leaks.
15. Install the left-side engine cover and the seat.

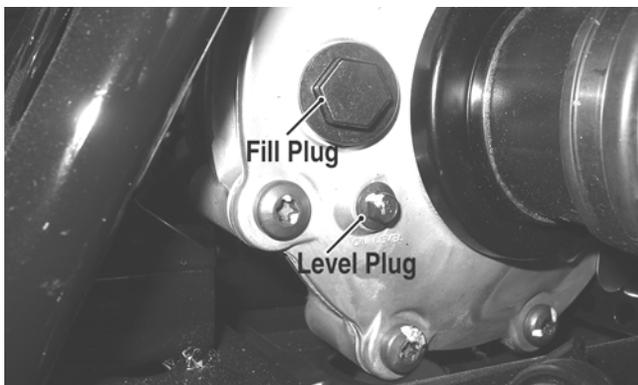
## Front Differential/Rear Drive Lubricant

When changing the lubricant, use approved SAE 80W-90 hypoid gear lube.

To check lubricant, remove the rear drive filler plug; the lubricant level should be 1 in. below the threads of the plug. If low, add SAE approved 80W-90 hypoid gear lubricant as necessary.

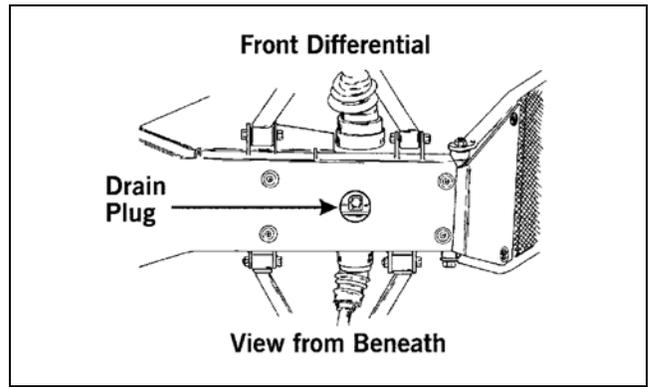
To change the lubricant, use the following procedure.

1. Place the ATV on level ground.
2. Remove each fill plug.

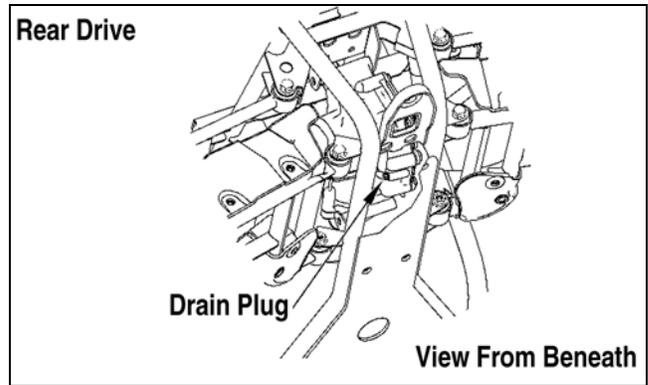


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3. Drain the lubricant into a drain pan by removing the drain plug from each.



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4. After all the oil has been drained, install the drain plugs and tighten to 45 in.-lb.
5. Pour the appropriate amount of approved SAE 80W-90 hypoid gear lubricant into the filler hole.
6. Install the fill plugs and tighten to 16 ft-lb.

■ **NOTE:** If the differential/rear drive oil is contaminated with water, inspect the drain plug, filler plug, and/or bladder.

### CAUTION

Water entering the outer end of the axle will not be able to enter the rear drive unless the seals are damaged.

## Tires

### TIRE SIZES

The ATV is equipped with low-pressure tubeless tires of the size and type listed (see General Information). Do not under any circumstances substitute tires of a different type or size.

### ⚠ WARNING

Always use the size and type of tires specified. Always maintain proper tire inflation pressure.

## TIRE INFLATION PRESSURE

Front and rear tire inflation pressure should be 27.6 kPa (4.0 psi).

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## Driveshaft/Coupling

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The following drive system components should be inspected periodically to ensure proper operation.

- A. Spline lateral movement (slop).
- B. Coupling cracked, damaged, or worn.

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## Nuts/Bolts/Cap Screws

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Tighten all nuts, bolts, and cap screws. Make sure rivets holding components together are tight. Replace all loose rivets. Care must be taken that all calibrated nuts, bolts, and cap screws are tightened to specifications.

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## Ignition Timing

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The ignition timing cannot be adjusted; however, verifying ignition timing can aid in troubleshooting other components. To verify ignition timing, use the following procedure.

1. Attach the Timing Light to the spark plug high tension lead; then remove the timing inspection plug from the left-side crankcase cover.
2. Using the Tachometer, start the engine and run at 1500 RPM; ignition timing should be 10° BTDC.
3. Install the timing inspection plug.

If ignition timing cannot be verified, the rotor may be damaged, the key may be sheared, the trigger coil bracket may be bent or damaged, or the CDI unit/ECU may be faulty.

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## Lights

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Rotate the ignition switch to the lights position; the headlights and taillights should illuminate. Test the brakelights by compressing the brake lever. The brakelights should illuminate.

## HEADLIGHTS

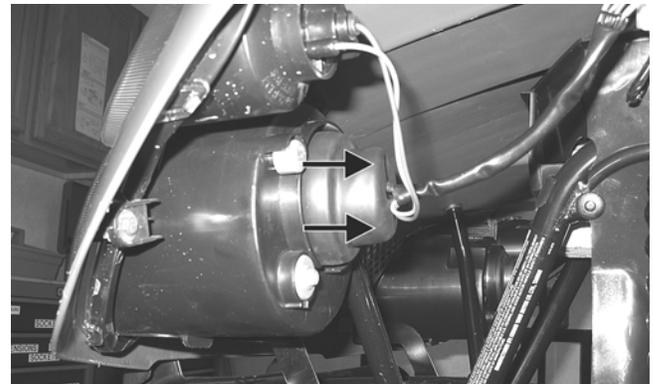
■ **NOTE:** The bulb portion of a headlight is fragile. **HANDLE WITH CARE.** When replacing a headlight bulb, do not touch the glass portion of the bulb. If the glass is touched, it must be cleaned with a dry cloth before installing. Skin oil residue on the bulb will shorten the life of the bulb.

### **WARNING**

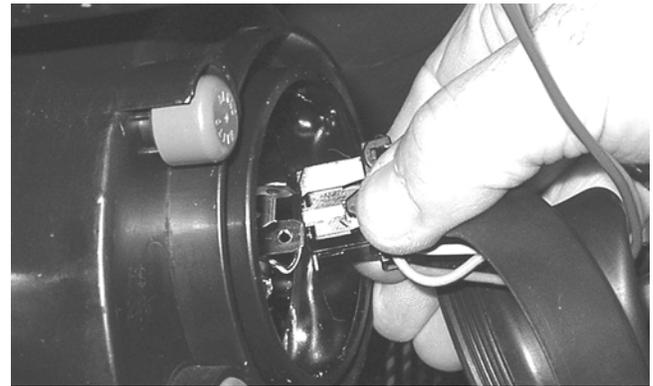
**Do not attempt to remove a bulb when it is hot. Severe burns may result.**

To replace the headlight bulb, use the following procedure.

1. Remove the protective rubber boot from the rear of the headlight housing; then remove the wiring harness connector from the back of the headlight bulb.

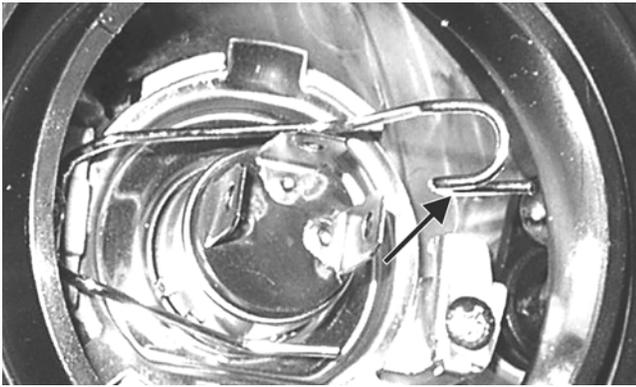


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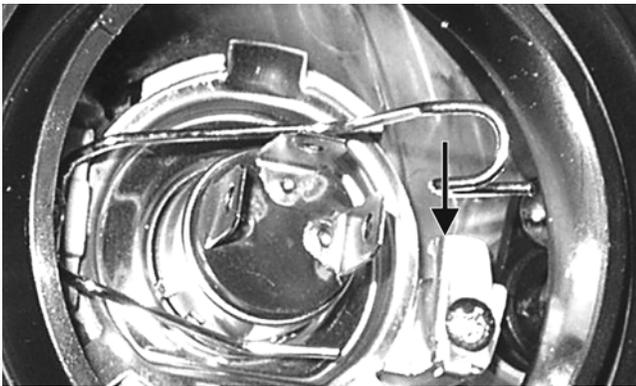
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2. Press in and release the spring retainer and pull rearward clear of the bulb assembly.



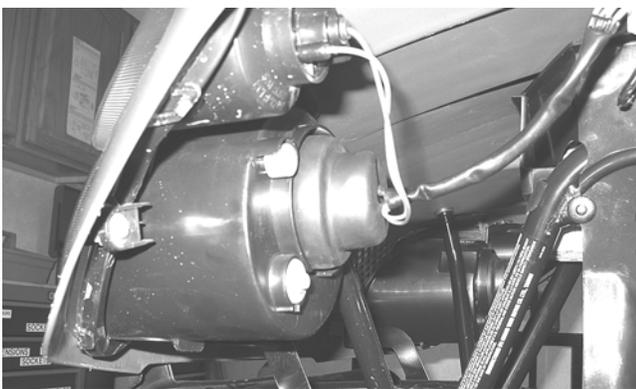
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3. Remove the headlight bulb assembly from the headlight housing.
4. Install the new headlight bulb into the headlight housing being careful not to get fingerprints or other contaminants on the glass; then secure with the spring.



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5. Connect the wiring harness connector to the bulb; then install the protective rubber boot making sure it seals completely on the headlight harness.

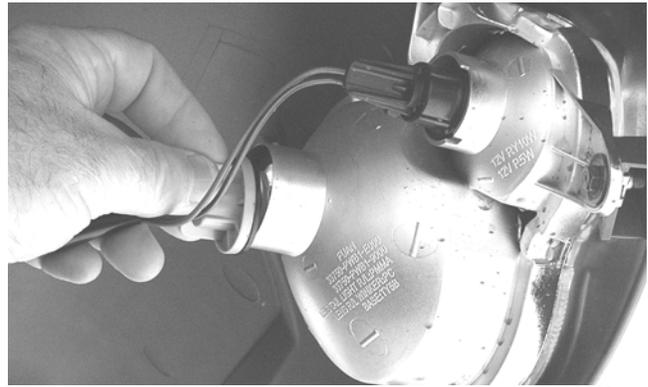


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## TAILLIGHTS-BRAKELIGHTS

To replace a taillight-brakelight bulb, use the following procedure.

1. Turn the bulb socket assembly counterclockwise and remove from the housing.



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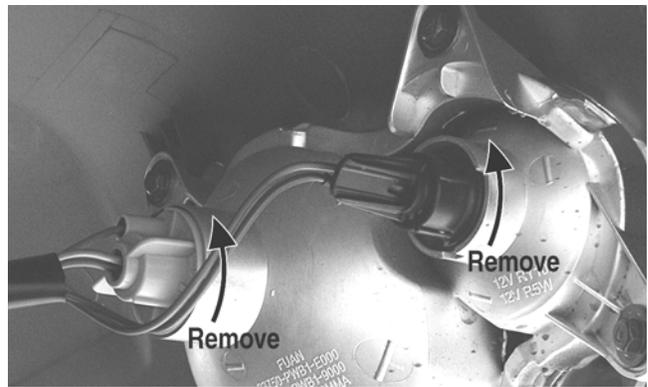
2. Press in and turn the bulb counterclockwise to remove. Press in and turn clockwise to install the bulb.
3. Insert the bulb socket assembly into the housing and turn it clockwise to secure.

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## RUNNING LIGHTS/BACK-UP LIGHTS

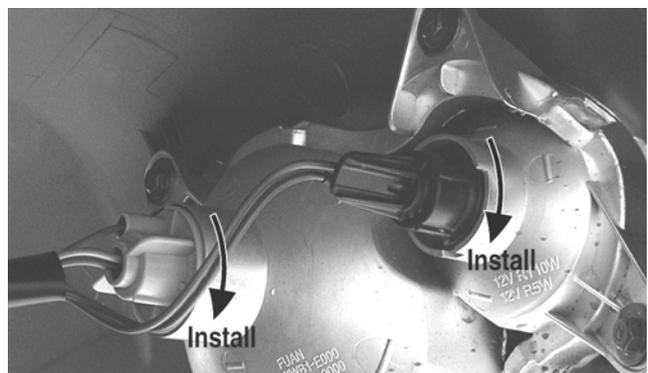
The running lights are located outboard of the headlights, and the back-up lights are outboard of the taillights/brakelights. To replace the bulbs, use the following procedure.

1. Rotate the bulb socket counterclockwise to release from light housing; then press in on the bulb and turn counterclockwise to release from the socket.



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2. Install a new bulb and press in rotating clockwise to secure; then place the socket into the light housing and turn clockwise to secure.

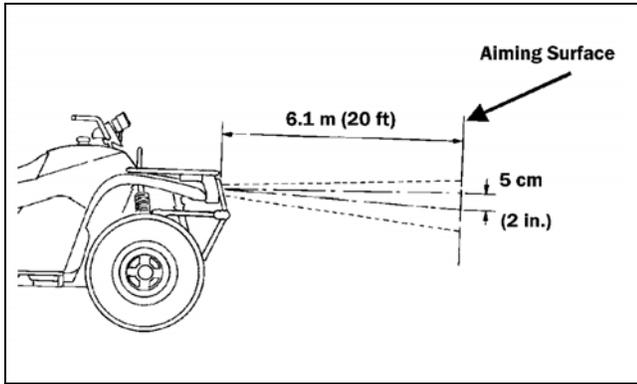


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## CHECKING/ADJUSTING HEADLIGHT AIM

The headlights can be adjusted vertically and horizontally. The geometric center of the HIGH beam light zone is to be used for vertical and horizontal aiming.

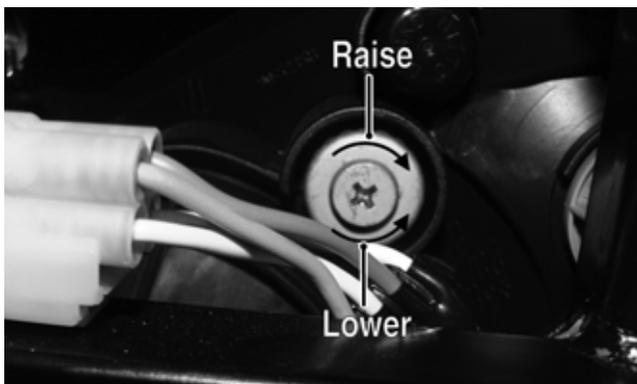
1. Position the ATV on a level floor so the headlights are approximately 6.1 m (20 ft) from an aiming surface (wall or similar aiming surface).



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■ **NOTE:** There should be an average operating load on the ATV when adjusting the headlight aim.

2. Measure the distance from the floor to the mid-point of each headlight.
3. Using the measurements obtained in step 2, make horizontal marks on the aiming surface.
4. Make vertical marks which intersect the horizontal marks on the aiming surface directly in front of the headlights.
5. Switch on the lights. Make sure the HIGH beam is on. DO NOT USE LOW BEAM.
6. Observe each headlight beam aim. Proper aim is when the most intense beam is centered on the vertical mark 5 cm (2 in.) below the horizontal mark on the aiming surface.
7. Adjust each headlight by turning the adjuster screw clockwise to raise the beam or counter-clockwise to lower the beam.



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## Shift Lever

### CHECKING ADJUSTMENT



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With the engine stopped and the brake lever lock engaged, turn the ignition switch to the ON position; then shift the transmission into each of the gear positions and note that the gear position indicated on the LCD corresponds to the gear position selected by the lever.

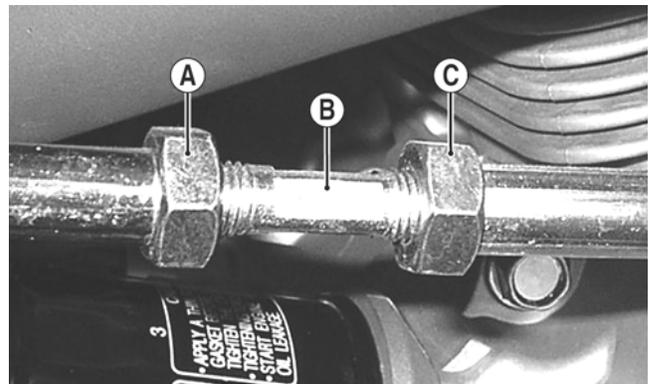
If the indicator does not correspond to the selected gear, it will be necessary to test drive the ATV to determine if the gear position switch is faulty or the shift lever needs adjustment.

If the ATV functions in the gear selected by the shift lever, troubleshoot the gear position switch (see Electrical System).

If the ATV functions but the shift lever does not correspond with the gear indicated on the LCD, adjust the shift linkage. To adjust, proceed to ADJUSTING.

### ADJUSTING

1. Remove the seat; then remove the left-side engine cover.
2. With the ignition switch in the ON position, loosen jam nut (A) (left-hand threads); then loosen jam nut (C) and with the shift lever in the reverse position, adjust the coupler (B) until the transmission is in reverse and the "R" icon appears on the LCD.



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3. Tighten the jam nuts securely; then shift the transmission to each position and verify correct adjustment.
4. Install the left-side engine cover and seat making sure the seat locks securely in place.

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## Frame/Welds/Racks

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The frame, welds, and racks should be checked periodically for damage, bends, cracks, deterioration, broken components, and missing components. If replacement or repair constitutes removal, see Steering/Frame.

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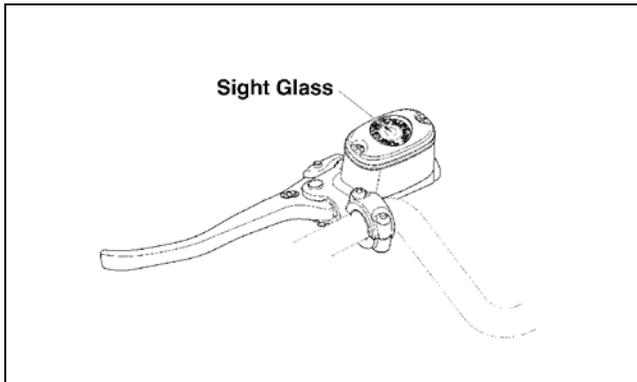
## Hydraulic Brake Systems

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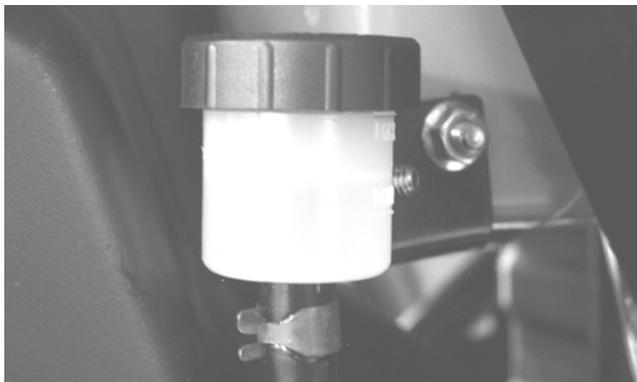
### CHECKING/BLEEDING

The hydraulic brake systems have been filled and bled at the factory. To check and/or bleed a hydraulic brake system, use the following procedure.

1. With the master cylinder in a level position, check the fluid level in the reservoir. On the hand brake if the level in the reservoir is adequate, the sight glass will appear dark. If the level is low, the sight glass will appear clear. On the auxiliary brake the level must be between the MIN and MAX lines on the reservoir.



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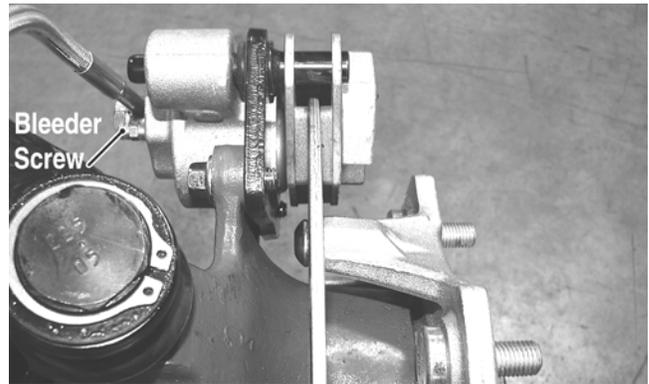
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2. Compress the brake lever/pedal several times to check for a firm brake. If the brake is not firm, the system must be bled.
3. To bleed the brake system, use the following procedure.
  - A. Remove the cover and fill the reservoir with DOT 4 Brake Fluid.
  - B. Install and secure the cover; then slowly compress the brake lever/pedal several times.
  - C. Remove the protective cap, install one end of a clear hose onto one FRONT bleeder screw, and direct the other end into a container; then while holding slight pressure on the brake lever/pedal, open the bleeder screw and watch for air bubbles. Close the bleeder screw before releasing the brake lever/pedal. Repeat this procedure until no air bubbles are present.

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■NOTE: During the bleeding procedure, watch the appropriate reservoir very closely to make sure there is always a sufficient amount of brake fluid. If low, refill the reservoir before the bleeding procedure is continued. Failure to maintain a sufficient amount of fluid in the reservoir will result in air in the system.

- D. Repeat step C until the brake lever/pedal is firm.

E. At this point, perform step B, C, and D on the other FRONT bleeder screw; then move to the REAR bleeder screw and follow the same procedure.

- Carefully check the entire hydraulic brake system that all hose connections are tight, the bleed screws are tight, the protective caps are installed, and no leakage is present.

### CAUTION

Brake fluid that has been drained or bled from the brake system must NEVER be re-used or severe brake system corrosion and damage may occur. Always discard used brake fluid in an appropriate manner.

### CAUTION

This hydraulic brake system is designed to use DOT 4 brake fluid only. If brake fluid must be added, care must be taken as brake fluid is very corrosive to painted surfaces.

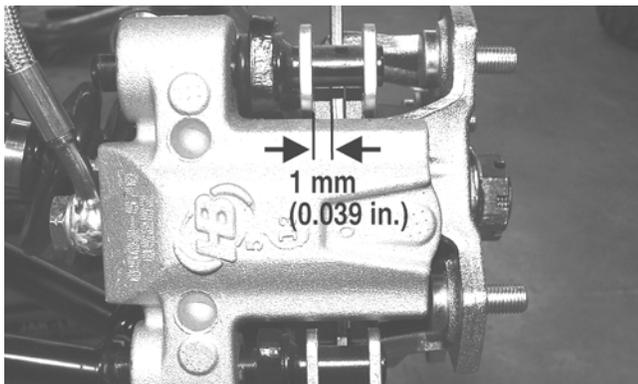
## INSPECTING HOSES

Carefully inspect the hydraulic brake hoses for cracks or other damage. If found, the brake hoses must be replaced.

## CHECKING/REPLACING PADS

The clearance between the brake pads and brake discs is adjusted automatically as the brake pads wear. The only maintenance that is required is replacement of the brake pads when they show excessive wear. Check the thickness of each of the brake pads as follows.

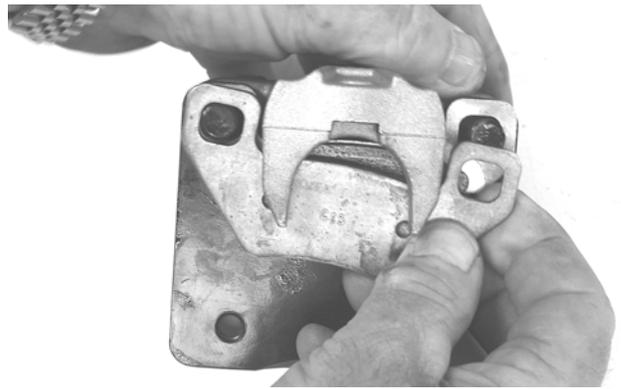
- Remove a front wheel.
- Measure the thickness of each brake pad.
- If thickness of either brake pad is less than 1.0 mm (0.039 in.), the brake pads must be replaced.



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■NOTE: The brake pads should be replaced as a set.

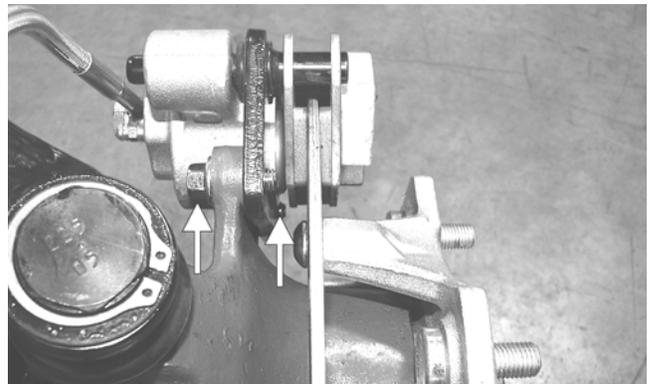
- To replace the brake pads, use the following procedure.
  - Remove the cap screws securing the caliper holder to the knuckle; then remove the pads.



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B. Install the new brake pads.

C. Secure the caliper to the knuckle and/or axle housing with the cap screws. Tighten to 20 ft-lb.



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5. Install the wheel. Tighten to 40 ft-lb.

6. Burnish the brake pads (see Burnishing Brake Pads in this section).

## Burnishing Brake Pads

Brake pads (both main and auxiliary) must be burnished to achieve full braking effectiveness. Braking distance will be extended until brake pads are properly burnished. To properly burnish the brake pads, use the following procedure.

### ⚠ WARNING

Failure to properly burnish the brake pads could lead to premature brake pad wear or brake loss. Brake loss can result in severe injury.

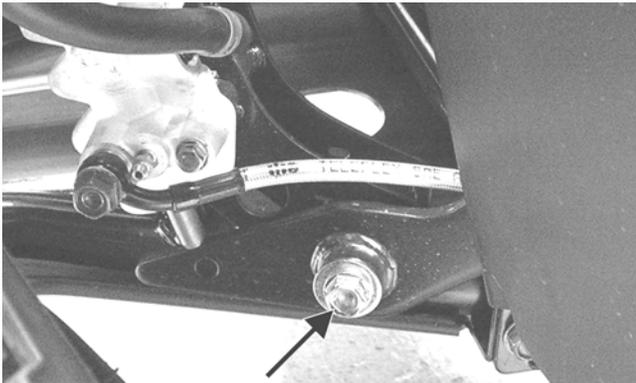
- Choose an area large enough to safely accelerate the ATV to 30 mph and to brake to a stop.
- Accelerate to 30 mph; then compress brake lever or apply the auxiliary brake to decelerate to 0-5 mph.
- Repeat procedure on each brake system twenty times.

4. Adjust the auxiliary brake (if necessary).
5. Verify that the brakelight illuminates when the hand lever is compressed or the brake pedal is depressed.

## Checking/Replacing V-Belt

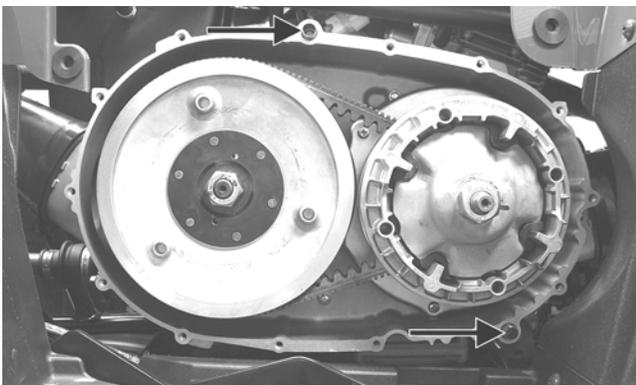
### REMOVING

1. Remove the seat and right-side engine cover; then remove the cap screw securing the auxiliary brake pedal to the frame. Account for a flat washer.



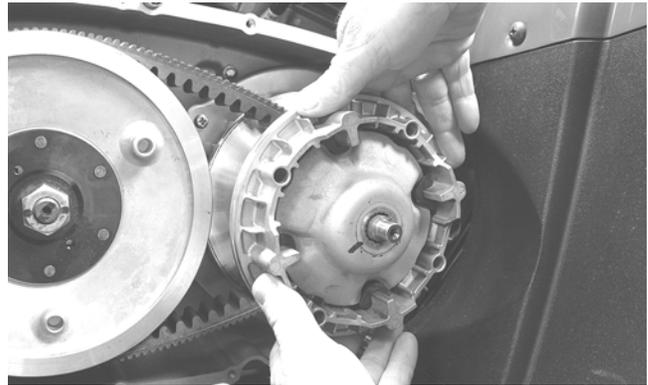
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2. Slide the auxiliary brake pedal part way off the pivot stud but do not remove; then remove the cap screws from the V-belt housing and remove the cover. Account for two alignment pins and a gasket.

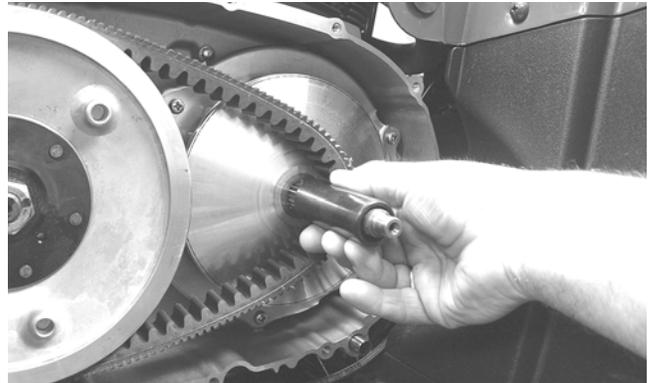


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3. Remove the nut securing the movable drive face to the clutch shaft; then remove the movable drive face assembly being careful not to let the roller fall out. Account for a bushing.

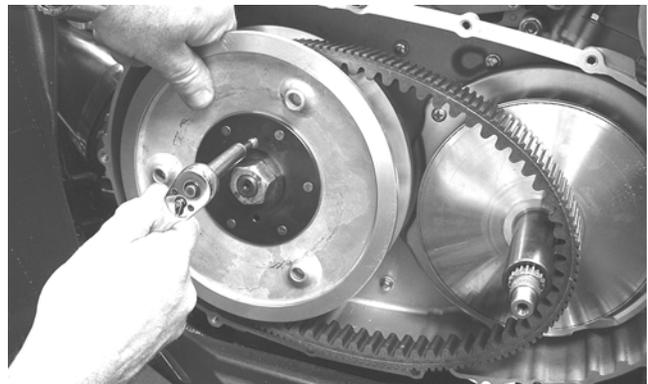


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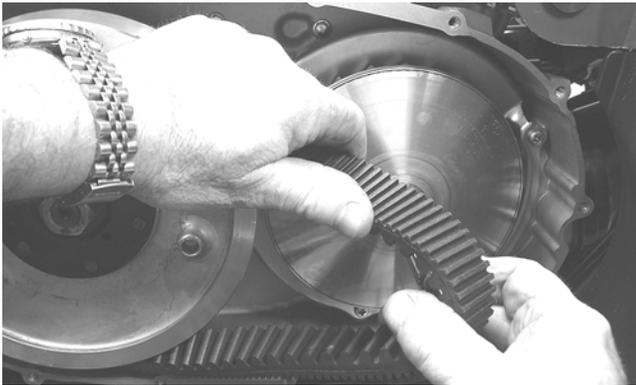
4. Thread a cap screw from the V-belt cover into the driven pulley fixed face and push the movable face open allowing the V-belt to drop down between the pulley faces approximately 3/4 in.



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5. Pinching the V-belt together in front of the driven pulley, pull it forward and outward off the clutch shaft; then remove it from the driven pulley.

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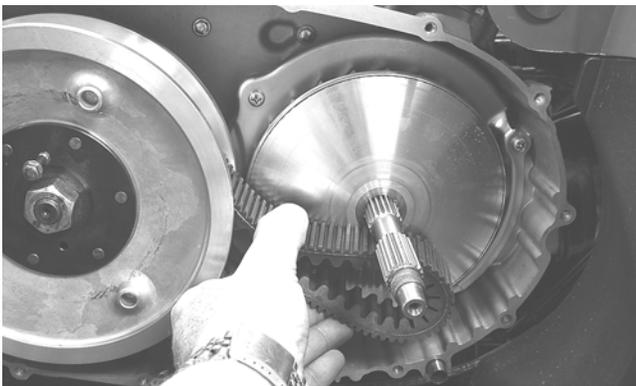


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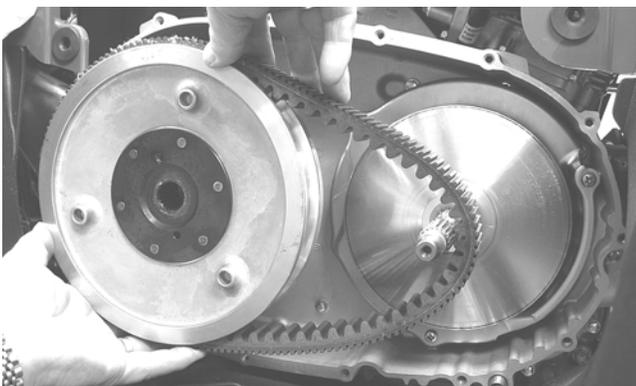
6. Inspect the faces of the drive and driven pulleys for scoring, pitting, cracks, or grooving; then clean any dirt and debris from the V-belt housing and cover.

## INSTALLING

1. Place the V-belt onto the driven pulley making sure the arrows point in the direction of rotation; then pinch the belt together in front of the driven pulley and place it over the clutch shaft.

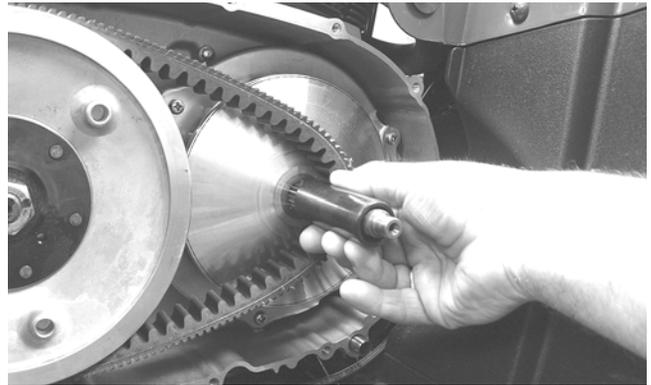


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2. Install the bushing over the clutch shaft; then install the movable drive face assembly on the clutch shaft.

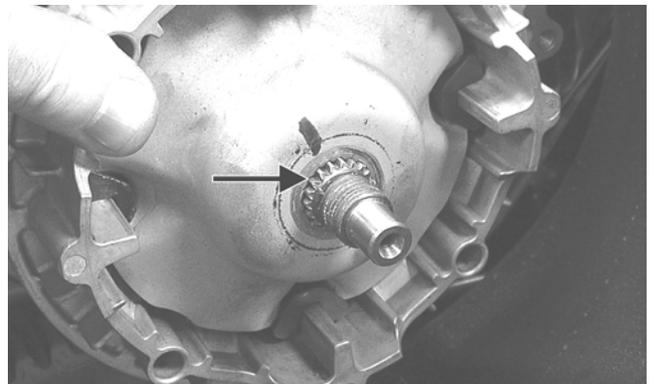


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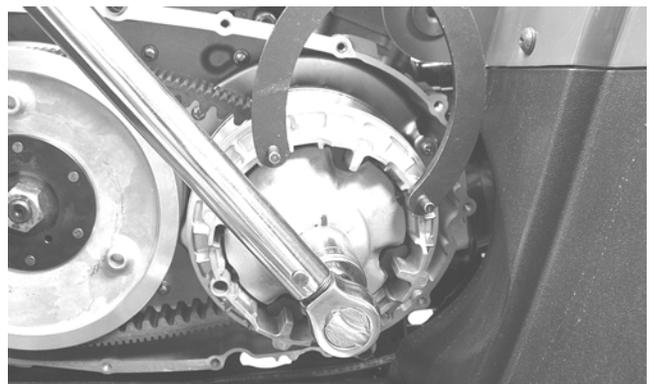


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3. With two drops of red Loctite #271 on the threads and with the splines of the clutch shaft protruding through the movable drive face, install the nut and tighten to 147 ft-lb.

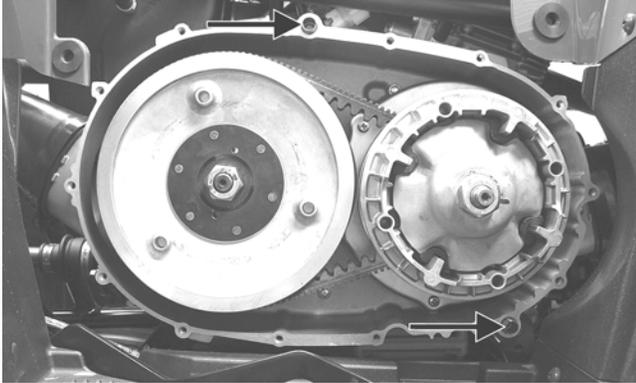


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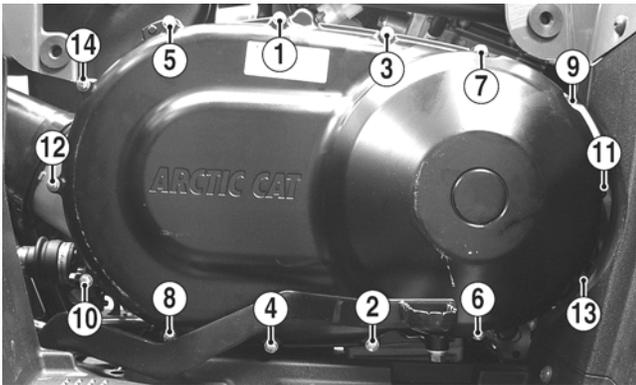


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4. Remove the cap screw from the fixed driven face; then rotate the pulleys counterclockwise until the driven pulley faces are together.
5. With the two alignment pins installed in the V-belt housing and a new V-belt cover gasket in place, install the V-belt cover. Using the pattern shown, secure with the cap screws tightened to 8 ft-lb.

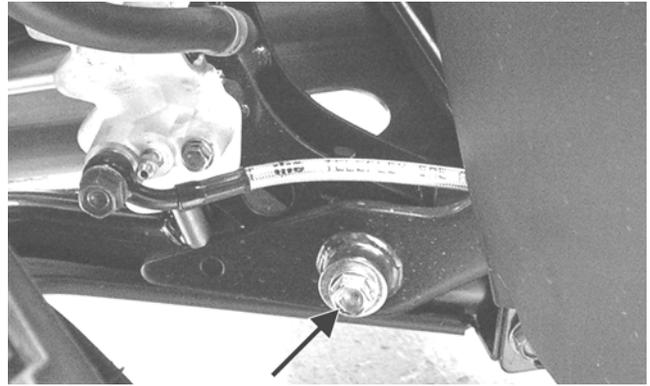


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6. Slide the auxiliary brake pedal fully onto the pivot stud engaging the master cylinder; then secure with the flat washer and cap screw and tighten to 20 ft-lb.



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# SECTION 3 - ENGINE/TRANSMISSION

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# Engine/Transmission

This section has been organized into sub-sections which show a progression for the complete servicing of the Arctic Cat ATV engine/transmission.

To service the center crankcase halves, the engine/transmission must be removed from the frame. To service top-side, left-side, and right-side components, the engine/transmission does not have to be removed from the frame.

**NOTE:** Arctic Cat recommends the use of new gaskets, lock nuts, and seals and lubricating all internal components when servicing the engine/transmission.

## SPECIAL TOOLS

A number of special tools must be available to the technician when performing service procedures in this section. Refer to the current Special Tools Catalog for the appropriate tool description.

Description	p/n
Crankcase Separator/Crankshaft Remover	0444-152
Magneto Rotor Remover Set	0444-254
Oil Filter Wrench	0644-389
Piston Pin Puller	0644-328
Spanner Wrench	0444-251
Surface Plate	0644-016
V Blocks	0644-535

**NOTE:** Special tools are available from the Arctic Cat Service Parts Department.

# Specifications

CYLINDER, PISTON, AND RINGS		
Piston Skirt/Cylinder Clearance	(350) (425)	0.005 mm 0.025-0.055 mm
Piston Diameter 15 mm from Skirt End	(350)	80.98-81.00 mm
Piston Diameter 8 mm from Skirt End	(425)	88.96-89.01 mm
Piston Ring Free End Gap (min)		8.0 mm
Bore x Stroke	(350) (425)	81.0 x 71.2 mm 89.0 x 71.2 mm
Cylinder Trueness	(max)	0.01 mm
Piston Ring End Gap - Installed	(min)	0.15 mm
Piston Ring to Groove Clearance (max) (1st/2nd)		0.06 mm
Piston Ring Groove Width	(1st) (2nd) (oil)	1.01-1.03 mm 1.21-1.23 mm 2.01-2.03 mm
Piston Ring Thickness	(1st/2nd)	1.97-1.99 mm
Piston Pin Bore	(max)	20.20 mm
Piston Pin	(min)	19.994 mm

VALVES AND GUIDES (350)		
Valve Face Diameter	(intake) (exhaust)	30.6 mm 27.9 mm
Valve/Tappet Clearance (cold engine)	(intake) (exhaust)	0.10 mm 0.23 mm
Valve Guide/Stem Clearance (max)	(intake) (exhaust)	0.10 mm 0.30 mm
Valve Guide Inside Diameter		5.000-5.012 mm
Valve Stem Outside Diameter	(intake) (exhaust)	4.975-4.990 mm 4.951-4.970 mm
Valve Stem Runout	(max)	0.10 mm
Valve Head Thickness (min)		2.30 mm
Valve Face/Seat Width (min)	(intake) (exhaust)	1.687 mm 2.687 mm
Valve Seat Angle	(intake/exhaust)	45°
Valve Face Radial Runout	(max)	0.20 mm
Valve Spring Free Length	(min)	40.4 mm
Valve Spring Tension @ 31.1 mm	(outer)	21.4 kg (47.18 lb)

VALVES AND GUIDES (425)		
Valve Face Diameter	(intake) (exhaust)	35.0 mm 30.5 mm
Valve/Tappet Clearance (cold engine)	(intake) (exhaust)	0.10 mm 0.17 mm
Valve Guide/Stem Clearance (max)	(intake) (exhaust)	0.1 mm 0.3 mm
Valve Guide Inside Diameter		5.000-5.012 mm
Valve Stem Outside Diameter	(intake) (exhaust)	4.975-4.990 mm 4.955-4.970 mm
Valve Stem Runout	(max)	0.10 mm
Valve Margin (min)	(intake)	1.1 mm
Valve Face/Seat Width (min)	(intake)	0.99 mm
Valve Seat Angle	(intake/exhaust)	45°-75°
Valve Face Radial Runout	(max)	0.15 mm
Valve Spring Free Length	(min)	44.73 mm
Valve Spring Tension @ 32.5 mm	(outer)	17.23 kg (37.98 lb)

CAMSHAFT AND CYLINDER HEAD (350)		
Cam Lobe Height (min)	(intake/exhaust)	33.53 mm
Camshaft Journal Oil Clearance	(max)	0.040 mm
Camshaft Journal Holder Inside Diameter	(right & center) (left)	21.98-22.04 mm 17.48-17.53 mm
Camshaft Journal Outside Diameter	(right & center) (left)	21.97-21.98 mm 17.47-17.48 mm
Camshaft Runout	(max)	0.03 mm
Rocker Arm Inside Diameter		12.000-12.018 mm
Rocker Arm Shaft Outside Diameter		11.975-11.987 mm
Cylinder Head/Cover Distortion	(max)	0.05 mm

CAMSHAFT AND CYLINDER HEAD (425)		
Cam Lobe Height (min)	(intake) (exhaust)	34.71 mm 34.48 mm
Camshaft Journal/Cylinder Head Clearance(max)		0.074 mm
Camshaft Journal Holder Inside Diameter	(right & center) (left)	22.01-22.04 mm 17.51-17.54 mm
Camshaft Journal Outside Diameter	(center) (left) (right)	21.959-21.980 mm 17.466-17.480 mm 21.966- 21.980 mm
Camshaft Runout	(max)	0.03 mm
Rocker Arm Inside Diameter		10.00-10.15 mm
Rocker Arm Shaft Outside Diameter		9.972-9.987 mm
Cylinder Head/Cover Distortion	(max)	0.05 mm

CRANKSHAFT		
Connecting Rod (small end)	(max)	20.021 mm
Connecting Rod (big end side-to-side)	(max)	0.7 mm
Connecting Rod (big end width)		21.95-22.00 mm
Connecting Rod (small end deflection)	(max)	0.15 mm
Crankshaft (web-to-web)		60.9 mm
Crankshaft Runout	(max)	0.03 mm

Specifications subject to change without notice.

# Troubleshooting

<b>Problem: Engine will not start or is hard to start (Compression too low)</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Valve clearance</b> out of adjustment</li> <li>2. <b>Valve guides</b> worn</li> <li>3. <b>Valves</b> timing incorrect</li> <li>4. <b>Piston rings</b> worn excessively</li> <li>5. <b>Cylinder bore</b> worn</li> <li>6. <b>Spark plug</b> seating poorly</li> <li>7. <b>Starter motor</b> cranks too slowly - does not turn</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adjust clearance</li> <li>2. Replace cylinder head</li> <li>3. Correct valve timing - check chain, sprockets, and cam chain tensioner</li> <li>4. Replace rings</li> <li>5. Replace cylinder</li> <li>6. Tighten plug</li> <li>7. Check - replace starter motor</li> </ol>
<b>Problem: Engine will not start or is hard to start (No spark)</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Spark plug</b> fouled</li> <li>2. <b>Spark plug</b> wet</li> <li>3. <b>Magneto</b> defective</li> <li>4. <b>CDI unit</b> defective</li> <li>5. <b>Ignition coil</b> defective</li> <li>6. <b>High-tension lead</b> open - shorted</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean - replace plug</li> <li>2. Clean - dry plug</li> <li>3. Replace magneto</li> <li>4. Replace CDI unit</li> <li>5. Replace ignition coil</li> <li>6. Replace high tension lead</li> </ol>
<b>Problem: Engine will not start or is hard to start (No fuel reaching the carburetor (350)/throttle body (425))</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Gas tank vent hose</b> obstructed</li> <li>2. <b>Carburetor float valve</b> defective (350)</li> <li>3. <b>Fuel hose</b> obstructed</li> <li>4. <b>Fuel screens</b> obstructed</li> <li>5. <b>Fuel pump</b> defective (425)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean vent hose</li> <li>2. Replace valve</li> <li>3. Clean - replace hose</li> <li>4. Clean - replace inlet screen - valve screen</li> <li>5. Replace fuel pump</li> </ol>
<b>Problem: Engine stalls easily</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Spark plug</b> fouled</li> <li>2. <b>Magneto</b> defective</li> <li>3. <b>CDI unit</b> defective</li> <li>4. <b>Carburetor jets</b> obstructed (350)</li> <li>5. <b>Valve clearance</b> out of adjustment</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clean plug</li> <li>2. Replace magneto</li> <li>3. Replace CDI unit</li> <li>4. Clean jets</li> <li>5. Adjust clearance</li> </ol>
<b>Problem: Engine noisy (Excessive valve chatter)</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Valve clearance</b> excessive</li> <li>2. <b>Valve spring(s)</b> weak - broken</li> <li>3. <b>Rocker arm - rocker arm shaft</b> worn</li> <li>4. <b>Camshaft</b> worn</li> <li>5. <b>Valve tappets</b> worn</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Adjust clearance</li> <li>2. Replace spring(s)</li> <li>3. Replace arm - shaft</li> <li>4. Replace camshaft</li> <li>5. Replace tappets</li> </ol>
<b>Problem: Engine noisy (Noise seems to come from piston)</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Piston - cylinder</b> worn</li> <li>2. <b>Combustion chamber</b> carbon buildup</li> <li>3. <b>Piston pin bore</b> worn</li> <li>4. <b>Piston pin</b> worn</li> <li>5. <b>Piston rings - ring groove(s)</b> worn</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace - service piston - cylinder</li> <li>2. Clean chamber</li> <li>3. Replace piston</li> <li>4. Replace piston pin</li> <li>5. Replace rings - piston</li> </ol>
<b>Problem: Engine noisy (Noise seems to come from timing chain)</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Chain</b> stretched</li> <li>2. <b>Sprockets</b> worn</li> <li>3. <b>Tension adjuster</b> malfunctioning</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace chain</li> <li>2. Replace sprockets</li> <li>3. Repair - replace adjuster</li> </ol>

<b>Problem: Engine noisy (Noise seems to come from crankshaft)</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
1. <b>Bearing</b> worn - burned 2. <b>Lower rod-end bearing</b> worn - burned 3. <b>Connecting rod side clearance</b> too large	1. Replace bearing 2. Replace crankshaft 3. Replace crankshaft
<b>Problem: Engine noisy (Noise seems to come from transmission)</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
1. <b>Gears</b> worn - rubbing 2. <b>Splines</b> worn 3. <b>Primary gears</b> worn - rubbing 4. <b>Bearings</b> worn 5. <b>Bushing</b> worn	1. Replace gears 2. Replace shaft(s) 3. Replace gears 4. Replace bearings 5. Replace bushing
<b>Problem: Engine noisy (Noise seems to come from secondary bevel gear and final driven shaft)</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
1. <b>Drive - driven bevel gears</b> damaged - worn 2. <b>Backlash</b> excessive 3. <b>Tooth contact</b> improper 4. <b>Bearing</b> damaged 5. <b>Gears</b> worn - rubbing 6. <b>Splines</b> worn 7. <b>Final driven shaft thrust clearance</b> too large	1. Replace gears 2. Adjust backlash 3. Adjust contact 4. Replace bearing 5. Replace gears 6. Replace shaft(s) 7. Replace thrust washer(s)
<b>Problem: Engine idles poorly</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
1. <b>Valve clearance</b> out of adjustment 2. <b>Valve seating</b> poor 3. <b>Valve guides</b> defective 4. <b>Rocker arms - arm shaft</b> worn 5. <b>Magneto</b> defective 6. <b>CDI unit</b> defective 7. <b>Spark plug</b> fouled - gap too wide 8. <b>Ignition coil</b> defective 9. <b>Float</b> out of adjustment (350) 10. <b>Jets</b> obstructed (350) 11. <b>Pilot screw setting</b> improper (350) 12. <b>Idle Step Control (ISC)</b> malfunction (425)	1. Adjust clearance 2. Replace - service seats - valves 3. Replace cylinder head 4. Replace arms - shafts 5. Replace magneto 6. Replace CDI unit 7. Adjust gap - replace plug 8. Replace ignition coil 9. Adjust float height 10. Clean jets 11. Adjust pilot screw 12. Replace ISC
<b>Problem: Engine runs poorly at high speed</b>	
<b>Condition</b>	<b>Remedy</b>
1. <b>High RPM "cut out"</b> against RPM limiter 2. <b>Valve springs</b> weak 3. <b>Valve timing</b> incorrect 4. <b>Cam - rocker arms - tappets</b> worn 5. <b>Spark plug gap</b> too narrow 6. <b>Ignition coil</b> defective 7. <b>Float level</b> too low (350) 8. <b>Air cleaner element</b> obstructed 9. <b>Fuel hose</b> obstructed 10. <b>Fuel pump</b> defective (425)	1. Shift into higher gear - decrease speed 2. Replace springs 3. Correct timing - check chain, sprockets, and cam chain tensioner 4. Replace cam - arms - tappets 5. Adjust gap 6. Replace ignition coil 7. Adjust float height 8. Clean element 9. Clean or replace hose 10. Replace fuel pump

Condition	Remedy
1. <b>Oil (in the engine)</b> overfilled - contaminated 2. <b>Piston rings - cylinder</b> worn 3. <b>Valve guides</b> worn 4. <b>Cylinder wall</b> scored - scuffed 5. <b>Valve stems</b> worn 6. <b>Stem seals</b> defective	1. Drain excess oil - replace oil 2. Replace - service rings - cylinder 3. Replace cylinder head 4. Replace - service cylinder 5. Replace valves 6. Replace seals

**Problem: Engine lacks power**

Condition	Remedy
1. <b>Valve clearance</b> incorrect 2. <b>Valve springs</b> weak 3. <b>Valve timing</b> incorrect 4. <b>Piston ring(s) - cylinder</b> worn 5. <b>Valve seating</b> poor 6. <b>Spark plug</b> fouled 7. <b>Rocker arms - shafts</b> worn 8. <b>Spark plug gap</b> incorrect 9. <b>Carburetor jets</b> obstructed (350) 10. <b>Float level</b> out of adjustment (350) 11. <b>Air cleaner element</b> obstructed 12. <b>Oil (in the engine)</b> overfilled - contaminated 13. <b>Intake manifold</b> leaking air 14. <b>Cam chain</b> worn	1. Adjust clearance 2. Replace springs 3. Re-time valve gear 4. Replace - service rings - cylinder 5. Replace cylinder head/valves 6. Clean - replace plug 7. Replace arms - shafts 8. Adjust gap - replace plug 9. Clean jets 10. Adjust float height 11. Clean element 12. Drain excess oil - change oil 13. Tighten - replace manifold 14. Replace cam chain

**Problem: Engine overheats**

Condition	Remedy
1. <b>Carbon deposit (piston crown)</b> excessive 2. <b>Oil</b> low 3. <b>Octane</b> low - gasoline poor 4. <b>Oil pump</b> defective 5. <b>Oil circuit</b> obstructed 6. <b>Gasoline level (in float chamber)</b> too low 7. <b>Intake manifold</b> leaking air 8. <b>Fan</b> malfunctioning 9. <b>Fan switch</b> malfunctioning 10. <b>Radiator fan</b> obstructed (425) 11. <b>Coolant</b> level low (425) 12. <b>Thermostat</b> sticking (425)	1. Clean piston 2. Add oil 3. Drain - replace gasoline 4. Replace pump 5. Clean circuit 6. Adjust float height 7. Tighten - replace manifold 8. Check fan fuse - replace fan 9. Replace fan switch 10. Clean radiator 11. Add coolant 12. Replace thermostat