

**SIDE STAND**

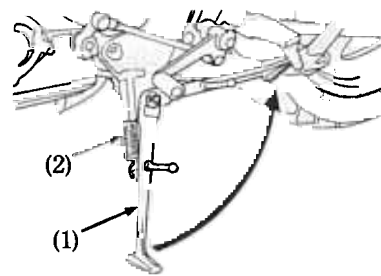
(Refer to the maintenance precautions on page 58 ).

Check the side stand system for proper function.

- Check the spring for damage or loss of tension and the side stand assembly for freedom of movement.
- Check the side stand ignition cut-off system:

1. Sit astride the motorcycle: put the side stand up and the transmission in neutral.
2. Start the engine and with the clutch lever pulled in, shift the transmission into gear.
3. Move the side stand fully down.
4. The engine should stop as you put the side stand down.

If the side stand system does not operate as described, see your authorized Honda dealer for service.



1) Side stand

2) Spring

**BATTERY**

(Refer to the maintenance precautions on page 58)

It is not necessary to check the battery electrolyte level or add distilled water as the battery is a maintenance-free (sealed) type. If your battery seems weak and/or is leaking electrolyte (causing hard starting or other electrical troubles), contact your authorized Honda dealer.

**CAUTION**

- Removing the battery caps can damage the caps and result in leaks and eventual battery damage.
- When the motorcycle is to be stored for an extended period of time, remove the battery from the motorcycle and charge it fully. Then store it in a cool, dry place. If the battery is to be left in the motorcycle, disconnect the negative cable from the battery terminal.

**▲ WARNING**

- \* The battery gives off explosive gases; keep sparks, flames, and cigarettes away. Provide adequate ventilation when charging or using the battery in an enclosed space.
- \* The battery contains sulfuric acid (electrolyte). Contact with skin or eyes may cause severe burns. Wear protective clothing and a face shield.
  - If electrolyte gets on your skin, flush with water.
  - If electrolyte gets in your eyes, flush with water for at least 15 minutes and call a physician immediately.
- \* Electrolyte is poisonous.
  - If swallowed, drink large quantities of water or milk and follow with milk of magnesia or vegetable oil and call a physician.