

# Shifting Gears

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## Emergency Gear Selection & Operation

If the shift switches do not operate, use the following procedure to manually select a gear so you may drive the vehicle to a location where it can be loaded and transported to a Honda dealer.

1. Turn the ignition switch to the “ON” ( I ) position.
2. Remove the gear change tool from the storage compartment (page 101).
3. Check the neutral indicator.  
If the transmission is in neutral, go to step 4.  
If the transmission is not in neutral, use the gear change tool to shift to neutral so you will be able to start the engine, Refer to *How to Shift Gears Manually* (page 68 ).
4. Apply the parking brake.
5. Press the starter button to start the engine.
6. Select the gear you want. For running on level ground: use 3rd or 4th gear. For mountainous roads: use 2nd or 3rd gear. Refer to *How to Shift Gears Manually* (page 68 ).
7. Return the gear change tool to the storage compartment.
8. Get on the ATV. Drive it at a safe speed to a place where it can be repaired or serviced.