Refer to Important Safety Precautions on page 23.

Keeping the wheels true (round) and maintaining correct spoke tension are critical to safe motorcycle operation. During the first few rides, spokes will loosen more rapidly due to the initial seating of the parts. Excessively loose spokes may result in instability at high speeds and the possible loss of control. It's also important that the rim locks are secure to prevent tire slippage.

## Wheel Rims & Spokes

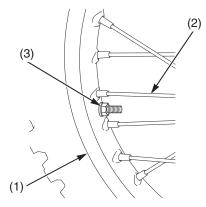
(1) wheel rim

(2) spokes

- 1. Inspect the wheel rim (1) and spokes (2) for damage.
- 2. Tighten, any loose spokes and rim lock (3) to the specified torque:

  Spokes: 2.7 lbf·ft (3.7 N·m, 0.4 kgf·m)

  Rim Lock: 9 lbf·ft (12 N·m, 1.2 kgf·m)
- 3. Check wheel rim runout. If runout is noticeable, see an official Honda Service Manual for inspection instructions.



(3) rim lock

## **Axles & Wheel Bearings**

See an official Honda Service Manual for inspection information:

- 1. Check the axle shaft for runout.
- 2. Check the condition of the wheel bearings.