If Your Engine Quits or Won't Start

SYMPTOM: Starter motor doesn't operate.	
POSSIBLE CAUSE	WHAT TO DO
ignition switch OFF	Turn the ignition switch ON.
engine stop switch OFF	Slide the engine stop switch to
	RUN.
transmission not in	Shift into neutral.
neutral	
blown fuse	Replace with a new fuse of the
	same rating (page 215).
battery lead loose	Tighten the battery lead.
low (or dead) battery	Charge the battery (page 187).
	If charging doesn't help, see
	your dealer.
faulty starter motor	If all possible causes are
	negative, the starter motor
	may be faulty. See your dealer.

SYMPTOM: Starter motor works, but the engine won't start.	
POSSIBLE CAUSE	WHAT TO DO
out of fuel	Fill the fuel tank.
flooded engine	See <i>Flooded Engine</i> (page 74).
loose or unconnected spark plug cap	Install the spark plug cap securely. If the engine still won't start, see your dealer.
loose battery cables	Tighten the battery terminal bolts.
weak battery	Charge the battery (page 187). If charging doesn't help, see your dealer.