

Check the gap between the center and side electrodes with a wire type feeler gauge.

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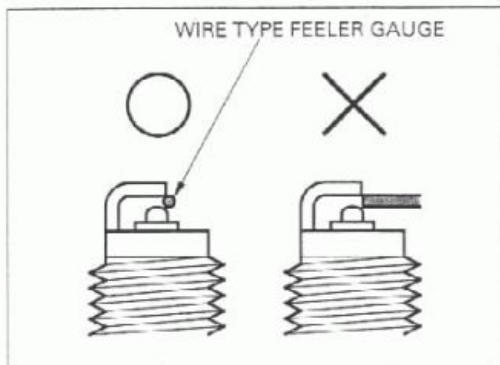
*To prevent damaging the platinum coating of the center electrodes, use a wire type feeler gauge to check the spark plug gap.*

Make sure the 1.0 mm (0.04 in) diameter plug gauge does not insert between the gap.

If the gauge can be inserted into the gap, replace the plug with a new one.

**CAUTION:**

*Do not adjust the spark plug gap. If the gap is out of specification, replace the spark plug with a new one.*



## INSPECTION (After '99:)

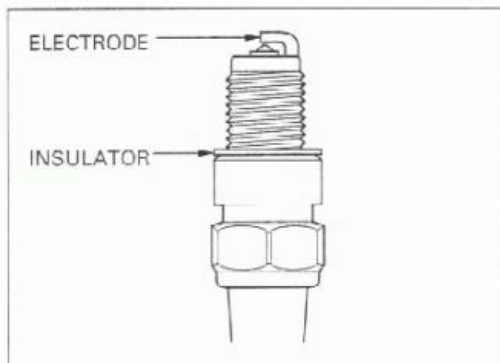
Check the following and replace if necessary (recommended spark plug: page 3-1)

- Insulator for damage
- Electrodes for wear
- Burning condition, discoloration

If the electrodes are contaminated with accumulated objects or dirt, replace the spark plug.

**CAUTION:**

*This motorcycle's spark plug is equipped with an iridium center electrode. Replace the spark plug if the electrodes are contaminated.*



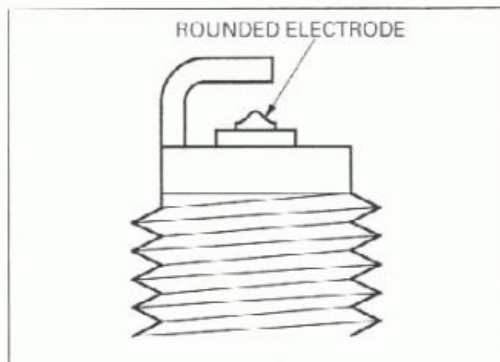
Replace the plug if the center electrode is rounded as shown in the illustration.

**SPECIFIED SPARK PLUG: IMR9A-9H (NGK)**

Check the gap between the center and side electrodes with a wire type feeler gauge.

**CAUTION:**

*To prevent damaging the iridium center electrode, use a wire type feeler gauge to check the spark plug gap.*



*Always use the specified spark plugs on this motorcycle.*

Make sure the 1.0 mm (0.04 in) diameter plug gauge does not insert between the gap.

If the gauge can be inserted into the gap, replace the plug with a new one.

**CAUTION:**

*Do not adjust the spark plug gap. If the gap is out of specification, replace the spark plug with a new one.*

