



# HONDA 13. FRONT WHEEL/SUSPENSION 155

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## SERVICE INFORMATION

#### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- Do not remove rivets, nuts and pins from the rims, spoke plate and hub.
- · Never ride on the rim or try to bend the wheel.
- · Avoid damaging the aluminum alloy rim.

#### SPECIAL TOOLS

Special Tools	
Hex. Wrench (6 mm)	079173230000
Ball Race Remover	07953-3330000
Bearing Driver Attachment	07946-3290000
Bearing Driver Attachment	07947-6710100
Common Taols	
Pin Spanner	07702-0010000
Retainer Wrench (B)	07710-0010200
Retainer Wrench Body	07710-0010401
Bearing Driver Outer (42 x 47 mm)	07746-0010300
Bearing Driver Pilot (15 mm)	07746-0040300
Front Fork Oil Seal Driver Body	07747-0010100
Front Fork Oil Seal Attachment (E)	07747-0010600
Bearing Driver Handle (A)	07749-0010000
Lock Nut Wrench Socket (30 x 32 mm)	077160020400
Extension Bar	077160020500

#### **TORQUE VALUES**

Front brake disc	2.7-3.3 kg·m (20-24 ft-lb)
Front brake axle nut	5.5-6.5 kg-m (40-48 ft-lb)
Front brake caliper carrier	3.0-4.0 kg-m (22-29 ft-lb)
Front brake caliper A	3.0-4.0 kg-m (22-29 ft-lb)
Front axle holder nut	1.8-2.5 kg·m (13-18 ft·lb)
Front fork cap bolt	2.0-3.0 kg·m (15-22 ft-lb)
Handlebar mounting bolt	2.8-3.2 kg-m (20-23 ft-lb)
Steering stem	3.0-4.0 kg·m (22-29 ft-lb)
Fork top bridge	0.9—1.3 kg-m (7—9 ft-lb)
Steering stem nut	8.0-12.0 kg·m (58-87 ft·lb)

#### FRONT WHEEL/SUSPENSION



#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

ITÉM		STANDARD	SERVICE LIMIT
Axle shaft runout			0.2 mm (0.01 in)
Front wheel rim runout	Radial		2.0 mm (0.08 in)
	Axial		2.0 mm (0.08 in)
Fork spring free length		501.7 mm (19.8 in)	492.7 mm (19.4 in)
Front fork tube bend		<del></del>	0.2 mm (0.01 in)
Fork slider I. D.		35.042-35.104 mm (1.3796-1.3820 in)	35.15 mm (1.384 in)
Front fork tube O. D.		34.930-34.950 mm (1.3752-1.3760 in)	34.90 mm (1.374 in)
Front fork oil capacity		170 cc (5.7 ozs) at assembly 150 cc (5.0 ozs) when draining	

## **TROUBLE SHOOTING**

#### Hard steering

- 1. Steering adjustment nut too tight
- 2. Faulty steering stem bearings
- 3. Damaged steering stem bearings
- 4. Insufficient tire pressure

#### Steers to one side or does not track straight

- Unevenly adjusted right and left shock absorbers
- 2. Bent front forks
- 3. Bent front axle; wheel installed incorrectly

#### Front wheel wobbling

- 1. Distorted rim
- 2. Worn front wheel bearing
- 3. Faulty tire
- 4. Axle not tightened properly

#### Soft suspension

- 1. Weak fork spring
- 2. Insufficient fluid in front forks

#### Hard suspension

1. Incorrect fluid weight in front forks

#### Front suspension noise

- 1. Slider binding
- 2. Insufficient fluid in forks
- 3. Loose front fork fasteners
- 4. Lack of grease in speedometer gear box



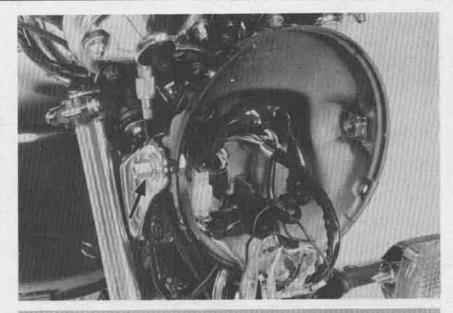
## HEADLIGHT

#### HEADLIGHT CASE REMOVAL

Remove the headlight.

Disconnect all wires at their couplers and connectors.

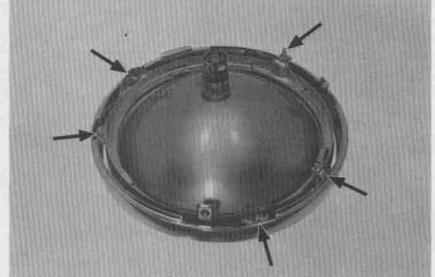
Unscrew the headlight case mounts and remove the case.



#### HEADLIGHT DISASSEMBLY/ ASSEMBLY

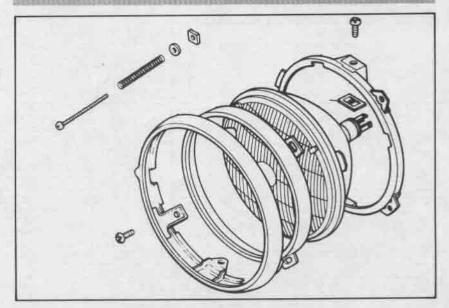
Remove the retaining screws and horizontal adjusting screw from the rim.

Remove the two headlight unit retaining screws and headlight unit.



Assembly is essentially the reverse of disassembly.

After assembly, adjust the headlight beam (Page 3—15).





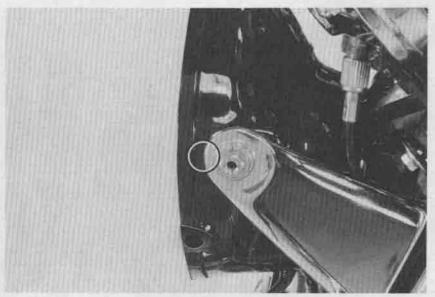
#### HEADLIGHT CASE INSTALLATION

Align the index marks on the headlight case with the punch marks on the brackets.

Connect all wires at their couplers and connectors. (See below).

#### NOTE

Check each component for operation after assembling.



#### WIRING CONNECTIONS IN HEAD-LIGHT CASE

Route the wires into the headlight case through the headlight case holes.

LOWER HOLE:

Main wire harness

**UPPER RIGHT HOLE: Instrument wires** 

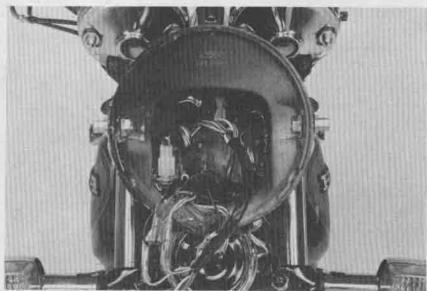
Instrument wires Right handlebar switch wires

Right turn signal wires

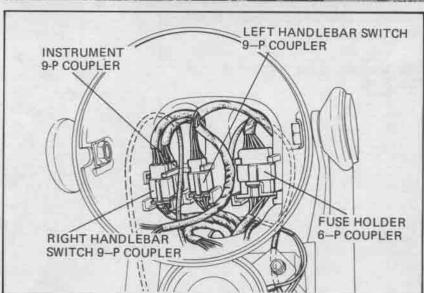
UPPER LEFT HOLE: Fuse holder wires

Fuse holder wire Left handlebarswitch wires

Left turn signal wires

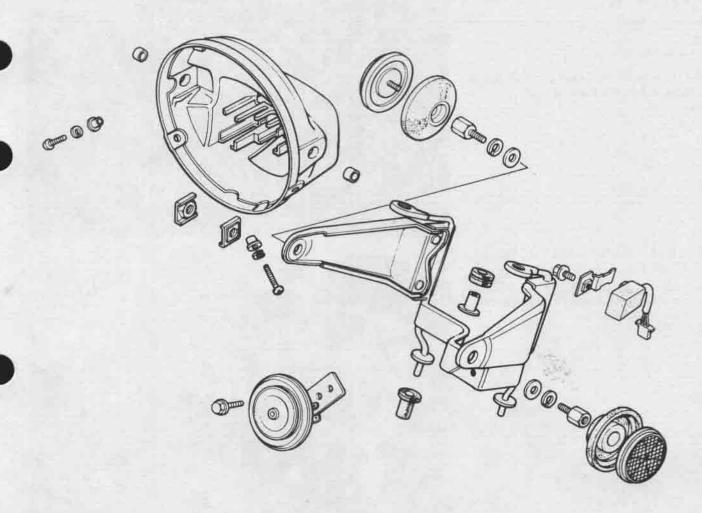


Connect the color-coded wires and couplers.





HEADLIGHT CASE BRACKET DISASSEMBLY/ASSEMBLY



Remove the headlight and disconnect all wires and wire couplers inside the case.

Remove the headlight case.

Remove the instruments.

Remove the headlight case bracket.





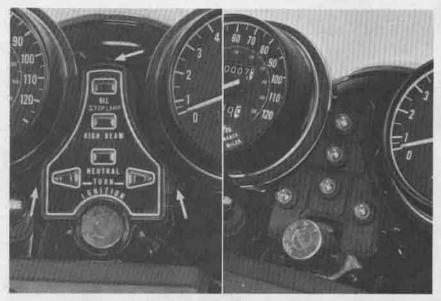
## INSTRUMENTS

#### INDICATOR LIGHT BULB REPLACEMENT

Remove the indicator light panel screws and panel.

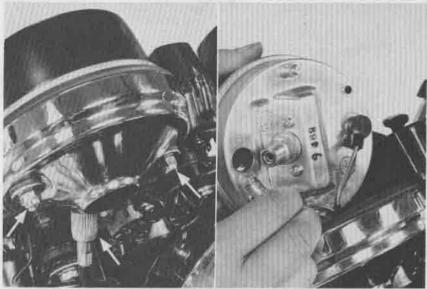
Replace the bulb.

If the replacement bulb does not light, check for loose connections and a short or open circuit.



#### METER ILLUMINATION LIGHT BULB REPLACEMENT

Disconnect the meter cable. Remove the meter mounting nuts and meter. Remove the bulb socket. Replace the bulb.



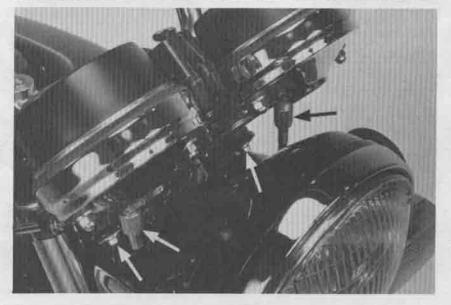
#### INSTRUMENT REMOVAL

Remove the headlight.

Disconnect the instrument wire connectors in the headlight case.

Remove the speedometer and tachometer cables from the instruments,

Remove the instrument mounting nuts and instruments.





# HANDLEBAR SWITCH/ HANDLEBAR

RIGHT HANDLEBAR SWITCH REPLACEMENT

Remove the fuel tank.

Remove the screws holding the upper and lower switch housings.

Remove the throttle cables.

Disconnect the front brakelight switch wires from the switch.

Remove the headlight from the headlight case and disconnect the right handlebar switch wire coupler.

Remove the switch wires from the headlight case.



Connect a string to the switch wires and then remove the wires leaving the string through the headlight case. This string is used as a draw cord when routing the wiring of a new switch.

Align the new switch with the hole in the handlebar and install the switch.

Tighten the foward screws first, then the rear screw.

Connect the switch wires in the headlight

Connect the wires to the brakelight switch.

Connect the throttle cables.

Install the fuel tank.

Check switch operation.

After installing, adjust the throttle cable free play (Page 3-7).

#### LEFT HANDLEBAR SWITCH REPLACEMENT

Remove the screws holding the upper and lower swtich housings.

Loosen the clutch lever bracket bolt.

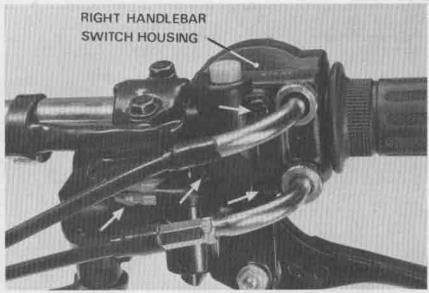
Disconnect the clutch switch wire from the switch.

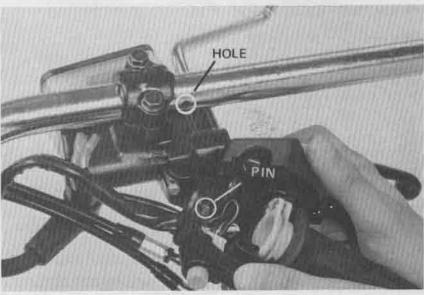
Remove the headlight and disconnect the left handlebar switch wire coupler.

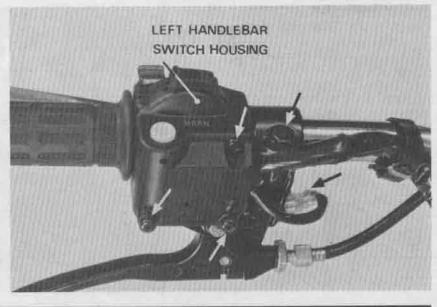
Remove the switch wires from the headlight case.

#### NOTE

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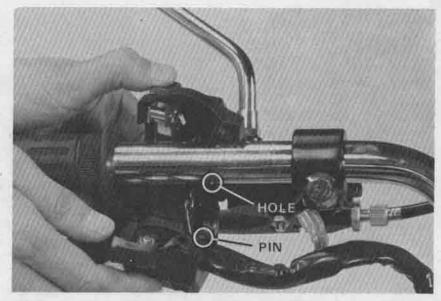


Align the new switch with the hole in the handlebar and install the switch.

Tighten the forward screws first, then the rear screw.

Connect the switch wires in the headlight case.

Connect the wires to the clutch switch. Check switch operation.



#### HANDLEBAR REMOVAL

Remove the handlebar switch wires from the handlebar.

Remove the right handlebar switch housing screws.

Remove the brake master cylinder.

#### CAUTION

Secure the brake cylinder in an upright position to prevent the fluid from leaking and damaging the paint and to prevent air from entering the brake system. Avoid getting brake fluid on painted surfaces.

#### NOTE

Do not loosen the brake hose unless necessary.

Remove the left grip.

Remove the left handlebar switch assembly. (See Page 13-7).

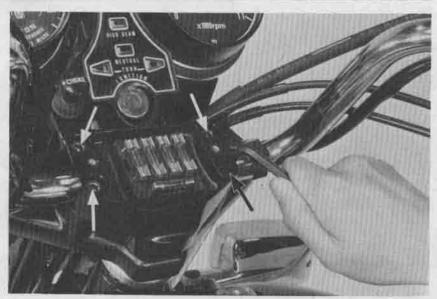
Loosen the clutch lever bracket bolt.

Remove the clutch lever assembly.

Remove the handlebar upper holder and remove the handlebar.

Remove the throttle grip and switch housing.







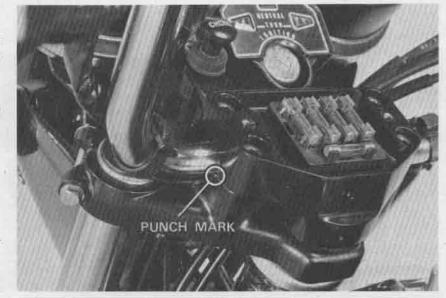
#### HANDLEBAR INSTALLATION

Position the handlebar on the fork bridge with the punch marks on the handlebar in line with the top.

Place the upper holder on the handlebar.

Tighten the forward bolts first, then tighten the rear bolts.

TORQUE: 2.8-3.2 kg-m (20-23 ft-lb)



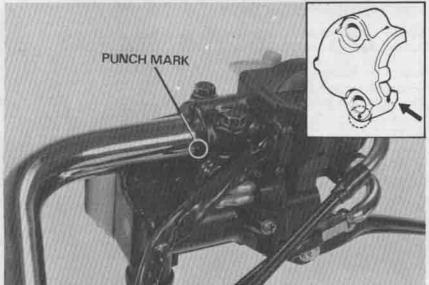
Coat the throttle grip area of the handlebar with grease.

Install the throttle grip switch housing and throttle cables.

Check throttle operation (Page 3-7).

Install the master cylinder on the handlebar. Align the holder mating surface with the punch mark on the handlebar and wire relief facing down.

Tighten the upper bolt first, then tighten the lower bolt.

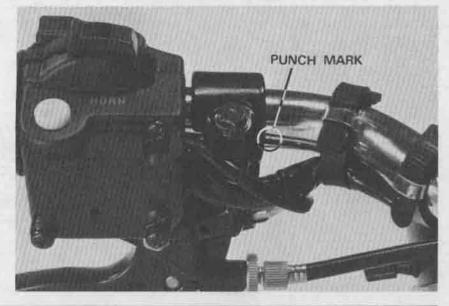


Install the clutch lever assembly.

Install the lever bracket with the split aligned with the punch mark on the handlebar.

Install the left switch housing. Attach the switch wires.

Check clutch free play (Page 3-16).

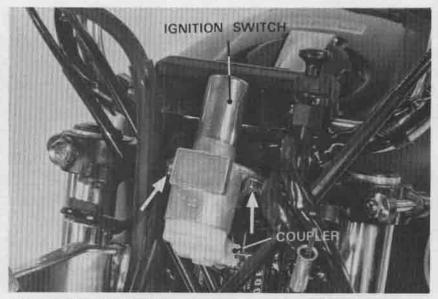




#### IGNITION SWITCH REPLACEMENT

Remove the two bolts holding the instrument cluster.

Remove the bolts holding the ignition switch and disconnect the wire harness coupler.



#### FUSE HOLDER REPLACEMENT

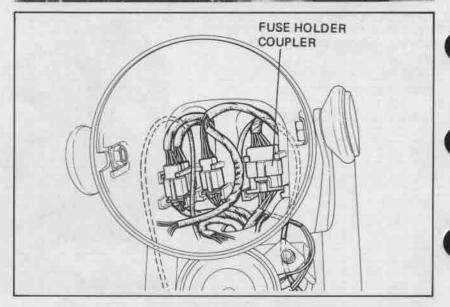
Remove the fuse cover.
Remove the handlebar upper holder.

Remove the headlight.
Disconnect the wire coupler.
Remove the fuse holder.

#### NOTE

Before disconnecting the fuse holder wires, tie a string to them. This string can be used as a draw cord when installing a new holder.







# FRONT WHEEL

#### FRONT WHEEL REMOVAL

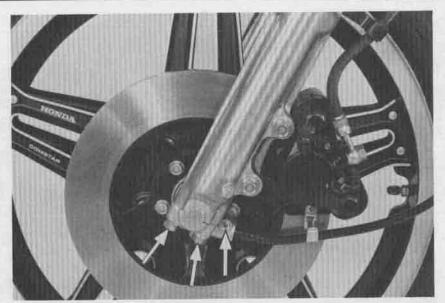
Remove the speedometer cable set screw and speedometer cable.

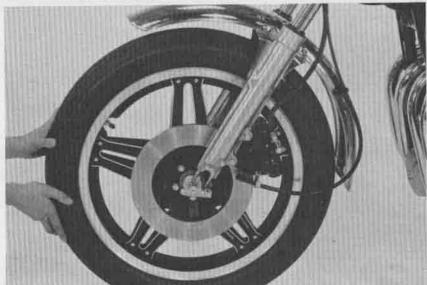
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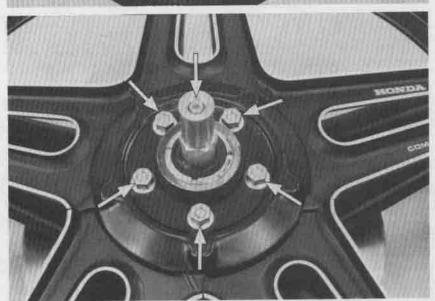
Do not operate the front brake lever after removing the front wheel. This would cause difficulty in fitting the brake disc between the brake pads.

Remove the right and left axle holders.

Jack up the engine until the forks clear the front axle and remove the front wheel.







#### FRONT WHEEL DISASSEMBLY

Remove the axle nut, speedometer gearbox, axle and collar.

Remove the five bolts and disc.



Remove the oil seal.

Remove the retainer.

Remove the bearings and the distance collar from the hub.

#### NOTE

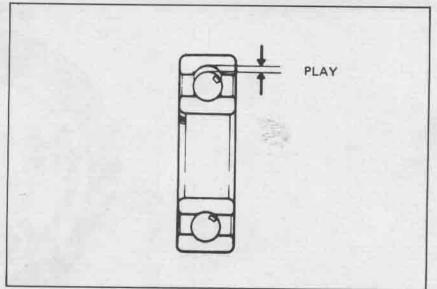
If the bearings are removed, replace them with new ones.



#### WHEEL BEARING INSPECTION

Place the wheel in a truing stand and spin it by hand. Replace the bearing with a new one if it is noisy or has excessive play.

SERVICE LIMIT: 0.042 mm (0.0017 in)



#### WHEEL INSPECTION

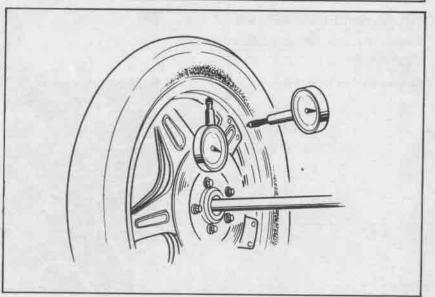
Place the wheel in a truing stand. Spin the wheel slowly and measure the runout with a dial indicator gauge.

#### SERVICE LIMITS:

RADIAL RUNOUT: 2.0 mm (0.08 in) AXIAL RUNOUT: 2.0 mm (0.08 in)

#### NOTE

The COMSTAR WHEEL cannot be repaired and must be replaced if the service limits are exceeded.

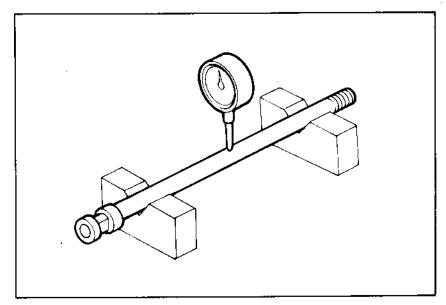




#### **AXLE INSPECTION**

Set the axle in V blocks and measure the runout. The actual runout is 1/2 of TIR (Total Indicator Reading).

SERVICE LIMIT: 0.2 mm (0.01 in)



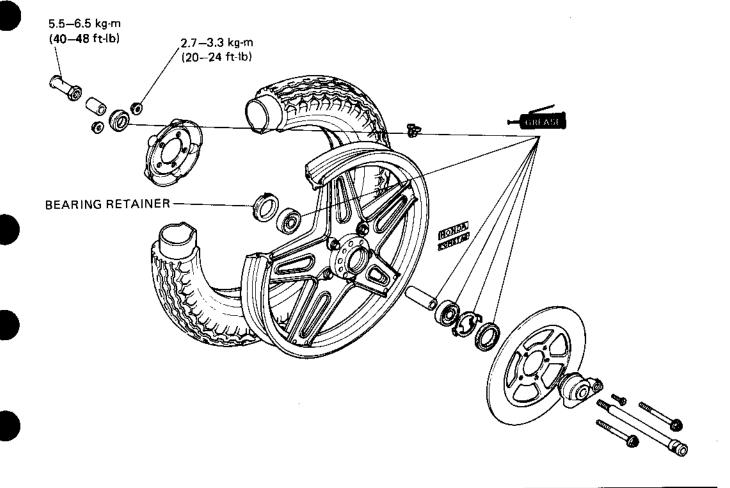
#### FRONT WHEEL ASSEMBLY

#### NOTE

The COMSTAR WHEEL has no rimband.

#### WARNING

Do not get grease on the brake disc.





Pack all bearing cavities with grease. Drive in the right bearing first. Press the distance collar into place.

#### NOTE

Be certain the distance collar is in position before installing the left bearing.

Drive in the left bearing.

#### NOTE

- · Drive the bearing squarely.
- Drive the bearing into position, making sure that it is fully seated and that the sealed side is facing out.

Install the bearing retainer,

#### NOTE

Inspect the retainer. If the threads are damaged, replace the retainer.

Install the oil seal. Peen the edge of the retainer.

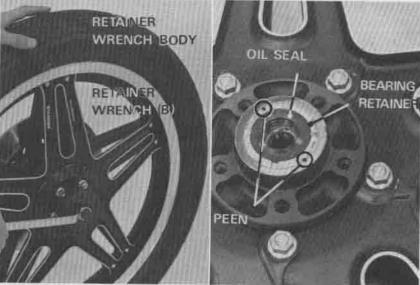
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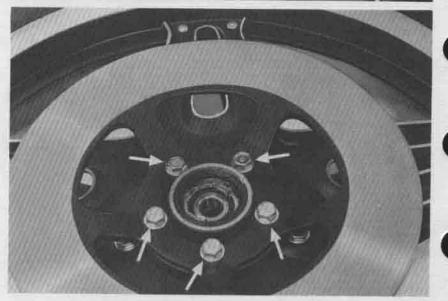
The spoke plate bolts and nuts require no retightening since they are secured with lock pins. Do not remove the pins.

Install the disc, disc bolts and nuts.

TORQUE: 2.7-3.3 kg-m (20-24 ft-lb)









Install the speedometer gear retainer.

Lubricate the inside of the oil seal and install it.

Remove the speedometer drive gear from the gearbox. Wipe any old grease off. Check the sliding surfaces for wear or damage. Replace the drive gear and/or gearbox if necessary.

Fill the gearbox with grease and install the drive gear.

Install the speedometer gear in the wheel hub, aligning the tangs with the slots.

Install the left side collar and axle.

Install the axle nut.

TORQUE: 5.5-6.5 kg-m (40-48 ft-lb)

Clean the brake disc with a high quality degreasing agent.

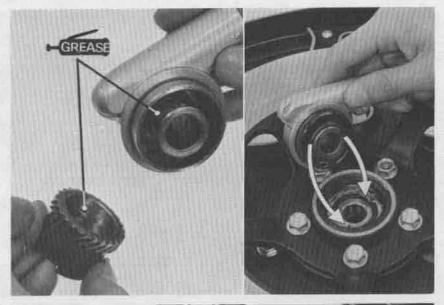
#### FRONT WHEEL INSTALLATION

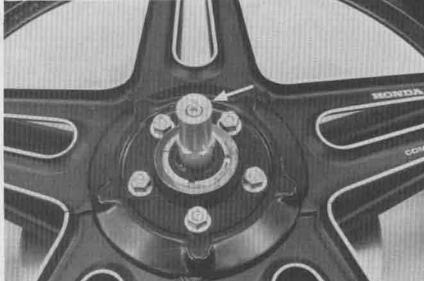
Fit the caliper over the disc, taking care not to damage the brake pads.

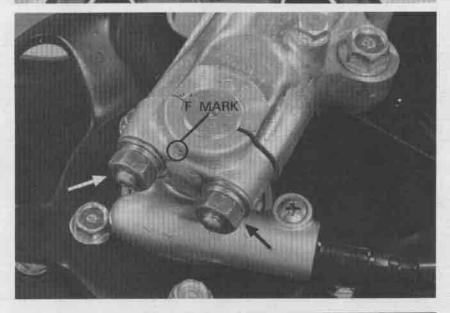
Install the axle holders with the "F" arrow forward.

Tighten the axle holders nuts starting with the forward nuts.

TORQUE: 1.8-2.5 kg-m (13-18 ft-lb)









### FRONT FORK

#### FRONT FORK OIL CHANGE

Remove the cap bolt.

Place a pan below the fork, remove the drain plug and allow the fork oil to drain.

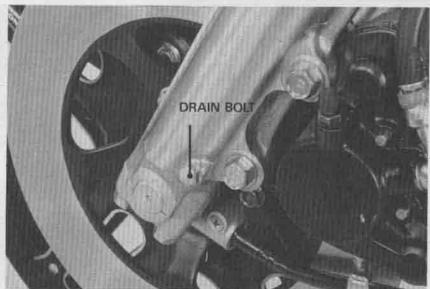
Compress the suspension to completely drain the fork.

Refill the fork (page 13-20.)

REFILL CAPACITY: 150 cc (5.0 ozs)



Repeat this operation for the other fork leg.



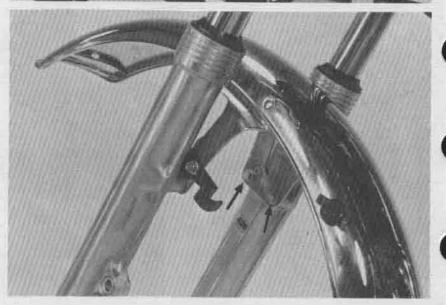
#### FORK REMOVAL

Remove the front wheel. Remove the brake caliper.

#### NOTE

Do not loosen the brake hose unless necessary.

Remove the front fender.





#### NOTE

Loosen the fork cap bolt to facilitate disassembly later.

Loosen the clamp bolts on the fork upper and lower bridges.

Pull the assembly down and out while turning the fork tube.



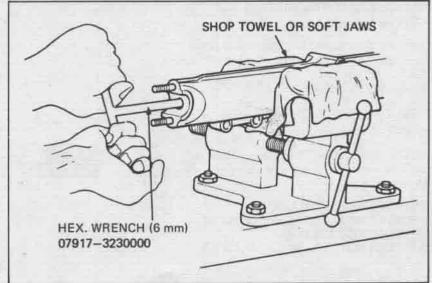
#### FORK DISASSEMBLY

Remove the bolt from the bottom of the fork leg.

Remove the fork tube and components.

#### CAUTION

Do not overtighten the fork slider in the vise.

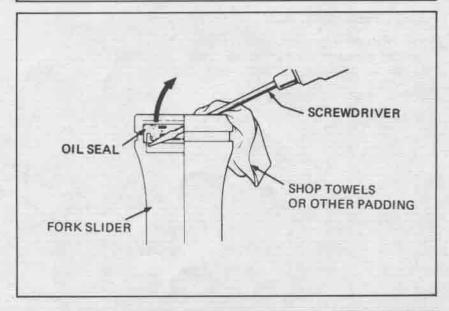


#### OIL SEAL REMOVAL

Carefully remove the oil seal with a screwdriver.

#### CAUTION

Do not damage the inner or outer surfaces of the slider when removing the seal.

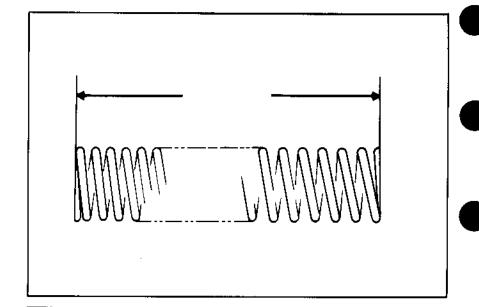




# SPRING FREE LENGTH INSPECTION

Check the free length of the fork spring. Replace it if it is below the limit.

SERVICE LIMIT: 492.7 mm (19.4 in)



#### FORK TUBE/FORK SLIDER/ PISTON INSPECTION

Check the fork tubes, fork sliders and pistons for scores, scratches, excessive or abnormal wear.

Replace any damaged parts.

Remove the fork seal. Measure the inside diameter of the slider.

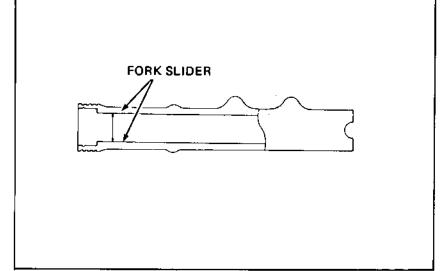
Measure the outside diameter of the fork tube. Check the tube piston and rings for damage.

FRONT FORK SLIDER I. D.

**SERVICE LIMIT: 35.15 mm (1.384 in)** 

FRONT FORK TUBE O. D.

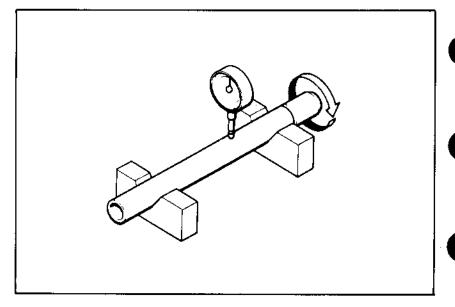
**SERVICE LIMIT: 34.90 mm (1.374 in)** 



#### FORK TUBE INSPECTION

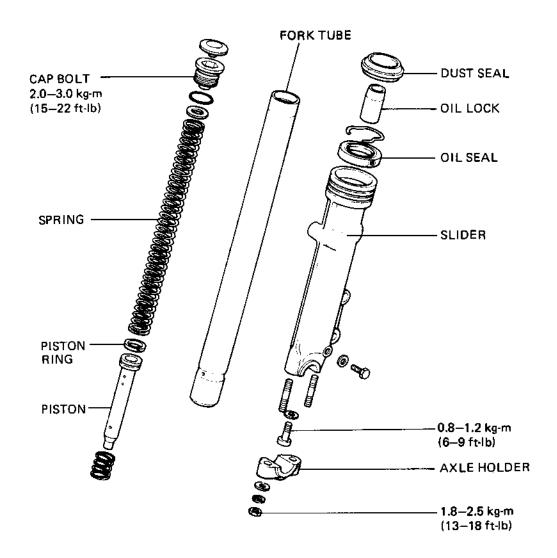
Set the fork tube in V blocks. Check the runout with a dial indicator. Use 1/2 TIR to determine the actual runout.

SERVICE LIMIT: 0.2 mm (0.01 in)





#### FORK ASSEMBLY

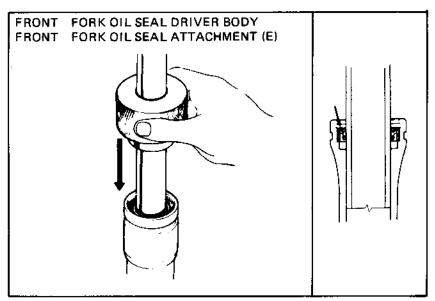


#### OIL SEAL INSTALLATION

Dip the new fork seal in ATF and install it in the slider using the fork tube as a guide for the seal driver.

Drive the oil seal into position until the snap ring groove appears.

Install the snap ring and dust cover.





Install the piston and fork tube.

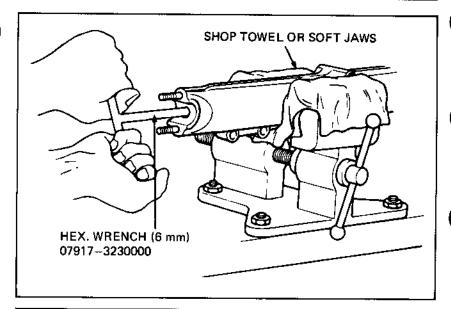
Apply liquid sealant to the bolt threads and underside.

Tighten the bolt.

TORQUE: 0.8-1.2 kg-m (6-9 ft-lb)

#### CAUTION

Do not overtighten the fork slider in the vise.



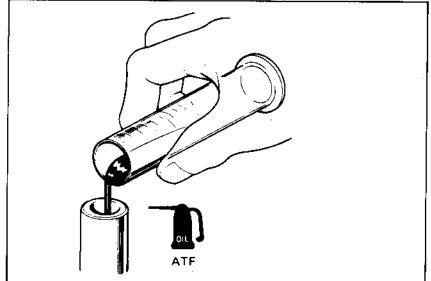
#### FILLING WITH OIL

Fill the fork with the specified amount of ATF (Automatic Transmission Fluid).

OIL CAPACITY: 170 cc (5.7 ozs) at assembly

NOTE

Do not overfill.



Slide the fork spring and spring seat into position and tighten the cap bolt.

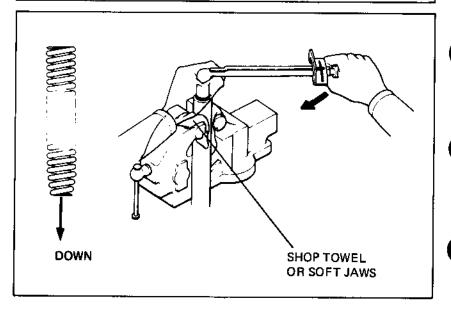
TORQUE: 3.0-4.0 kg-m (22-29 ft-lb)

#### CAUTION

Place the fork tube in a vise with a shop towel or soft jaws, avoiding the sliding surface.

#### NOTE

Note the spring direction.

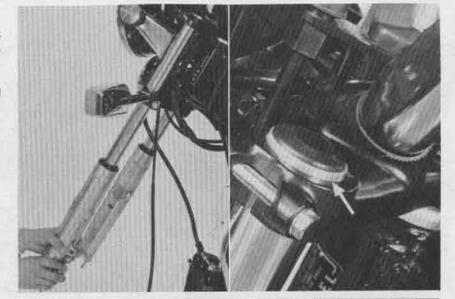




#### FORK INSTALLATION

Install the fork tubes in the fork top bridge and steering stem, while rotating them by hand.

Position the fork tubes so that the upper end is flush with the fork top bridge as shown.

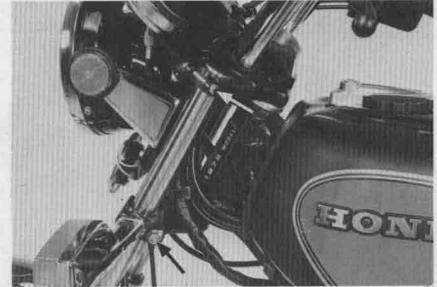


Tighten the fork tube pinch bolts at the steering stem.

TORQUE: 3.0-4.0 kg-m (22-29 ft-lb)

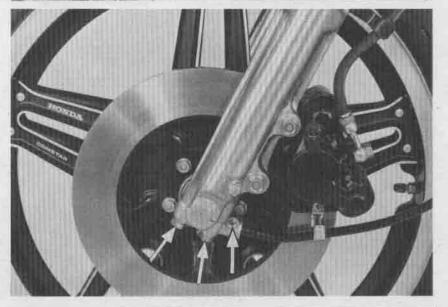
Tighten the fork tube pinch bolts at the top bridge.

TORQUE: 0.9-1.3 kg-m (7-9 ft-lb)



Install the fender.
Install the brake caliper.

Secure the brake hose. Install the front wheel. (Page 13-15)



#### FRONT WHEEL/SUSPENSION



# STEERING STEM

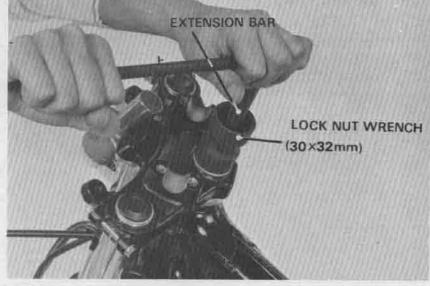
#### STEM REMOVAL

Remove the handlebar (Page 13-8). Remove the instruments (Page 13-6). Remove the headlight assembly and disconnect the wiring (Page 13-4).

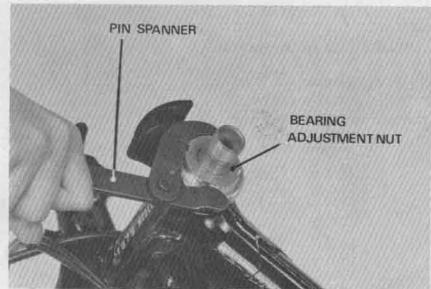
Remove the steering stem nut.

Remove the headlight case bracket (Page 13-5).

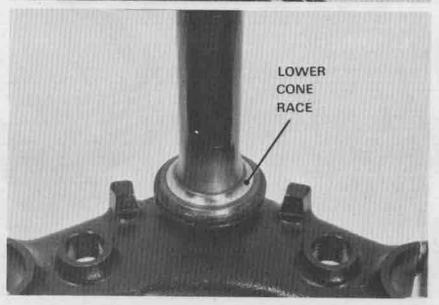
Remove the wheel and forks. Remove the fork top bridge.



Remove the bearing adjustment nut. Remove the steering stem, upper cone race and steel balls.



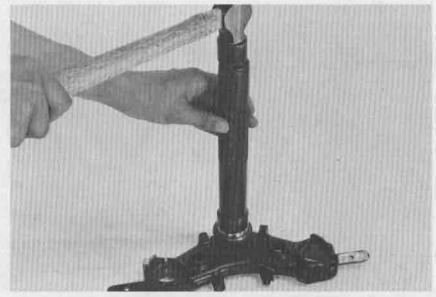
Remove the lower cone race, dust seal and washer.



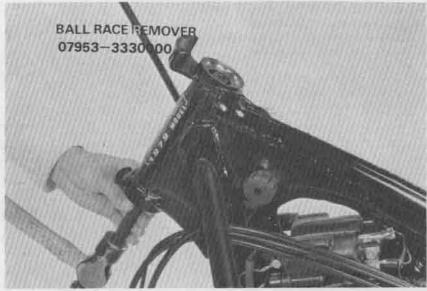


Install a dust seal and washer on the steering stem.

Drive the lower cone race over the stem.



Remove the upper ball race with the special tool.



Remove the lower ball race with the special tool.

#### NOTE

If the motorcycle has been involved in an accident, examine the area around the steering head for cracks.





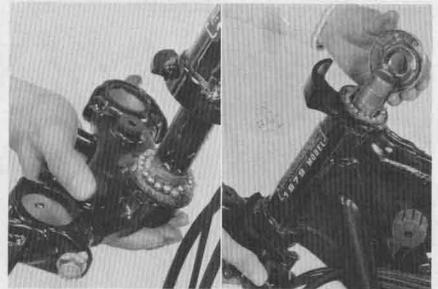
Drive the upper ball race into the steering head with the special tools.

Drive the lower ball race into the steering head with the special tool.



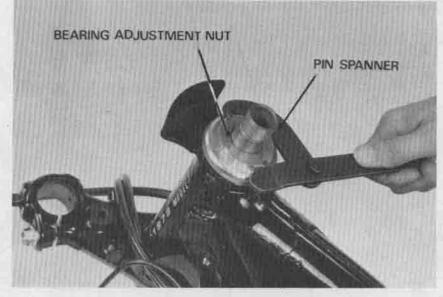
Apply a coat of bearing grease to the upper ball race and install 18 steel balls. Apply a coat of bearing grease to the lower cone race and install 19 steel balls.

Insert the steering stem into the steering head and install the upper cone race and bearing adjustment nut.



Tighten the adjustment nut until snug against the upper cone race.
Then, loosen it 1/8 turn.

Check that there is no vertical movement and that the stem rotates freely.





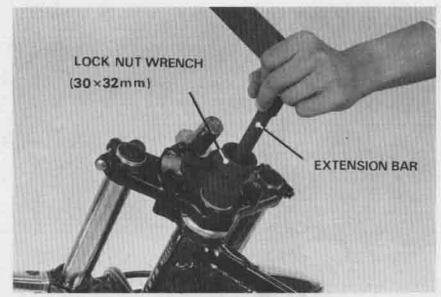
#### TOP BRIDGE INSTALLATION

Install the front fork legs.

Temporarily hold the front fork legs by tightening the steering stem fork pinch bolts.

Tighten the steering stem nut.

TORQUE: 8.0-12.0 kg-m (58-87 ft-lb)



Tighten the steering stem bolts.

TORQUE: 3.0-4.0 kg-m (22-29 ft-lb)

Tighten the top bridge fork bolts.

TORQUE: 0.9-1.3 kg-m (7-9 ft-lb)

#### Install the following:

- Handlebar (Page 13—9)
- Instruments (Page 13—6)
- · Headlight and Bracket (Page 13-4, 13-5)
- Front fender
- · Front wheel (Page 13-15)

