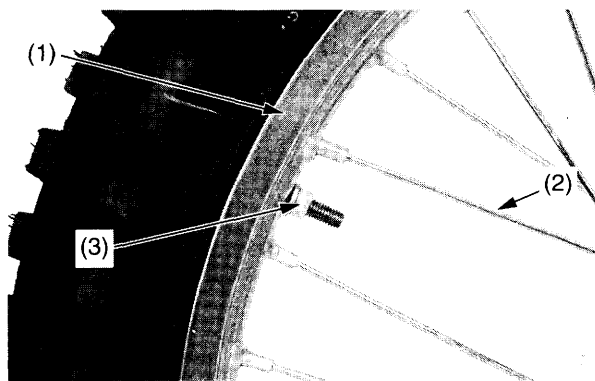


Refer to *Safety Precautions* on page 19.

Maintenance of spoke tension and wheel trueness (roundness) is 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 tyre slippage.

It is not necessary to remove the wheels to perform the recommended service in the Maintenance Schedule (page 21). However, information for wheel removal is provided for emergency situations.

Wheel Rims & Spokes



(1) wheel rim
(2) spoke
(3) rim lock

1. Inspect the wheel rims (1) and spokes (2) for damage.

2. Tighten, any loose spokes and rim locks (3) to the specified torque:
Front Spoke :
3.68 N·m (0.4 kgf·m, 2.7 lbf·ft)
Rear Spoke :
3.7 N·m (0.4 kgf·m, 2.7 lbf·ft)
Rim Lock : 12 N·m (1.2 kgf·m, 9 lbf·ft)
3. Check wheel rim runout. If runout is noticeable, see the Honda Shop Manual for inspection instructions.

Axles & Wheel Bearings

See the Honda Shop Manual for inspection information:

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