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SERVICE INFORMATION

GENERAL

- This section covers service procedure for the cylinder head and valves.
- The engine must be removed to service the camshaft, cylinder head, valves and rocker arms.
- Camshaft and rocker arm lubrication oil is fed through an oil passage. Be sure the passage is not clogged.
- Clean all disassembled parts with clean solvent and dry them by blowing them off with compressed air before inspection.
- Pour clean engine oil into the oil pockets in the cylinder head during assembly to lubricate the camshaft lobes.

SPECIFICATIONS

UNIT: mm (in)

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	ITEM	STANDARD	SERVICE LIMIT
Cylinder compression		1.350 kPa (13.5 kg/cm ² ; 192 psi).	—
Cam lobe height	IN.	31.579 - 31.739 (1.243-1.249)	31.30 (1.232)
	EX	31.419 - 31.579 (1.236-1.243)	31.20 (1.228)
Cylinder head warpage		—	0.10 (0.004)
Rocker arm	I.D.	12.000 - 12.018 (0.4724 - 0.4731)	12.05 (0.474)
	Shaft O.D.	11.977 - 11.995 (0.4715 - 0.4722)	11.93 (0.470)
	Arm-to-shaft clearance	0,005 - 0,041 (0.0002 - 0.0016)	0.08 (0.003)
Valve spring free length	INNER	39.2 (1.543)	38.0 (1.50)
	OUTER	44.85 (1.766)	43.5 (1.71)
Valve stem O.D.	IN	5.450 - 5.465 (0.2146 - 0.2152)	5.44 (0.214)
	EX	5.430 - 5.445 (0.2138 - 0.2144)	5.42 (0.213)
Valve guide I.D.	IN	5.475 - 5.485 (0.2156 - 0.2159)	5.50 (0.217)
	EX	5.475 - 5.485 (0.2156 - 0.2159)	5.50 (0.217)
Stem-to-guide clearance	IN	0.010 - 0.035 (0.0004 - 0.0014)	0.06 (0.002)
	EX	0.030 - 0.055 (0.0012 - 0.0022)	0.08 (0.003)
Valve seat width		1.1 - 1.3 (0.043-0.051)	1.5 (0.06)



TORQUE VALUES

Valve adjusting hole cap	15 N.m (1,5 kg.m, 11 ft-lb)
Valve adjusting screw lock nut	14 N.m (1,4 kg.m, 10 ft-lb)
Cylinder head cover 8 mm cap nut	27 N.m (2,7 kg.m, 20 ft-lb)
Cylinder head cover 6 mm socket bolt	10 N.m (1,0 kg.m, 7 ft-lb)
Cam sprocket bolt	12 N.m (1,2 kg.m, 9 ft-lb)
Cam chain tensioner lifter mounting bolt	12 N.m (1,2 kg.m, 9 ft-lb)
Cam chain tensioner lifter sealing screw	4 N.m (0,4 kg.m, 3 ft-lb)
Timing hole cap	6 N.m (0,6 kg.m. 4 ft-lb)
Crankshaft hole cap	8 N.m (0,8 kg.m, 6 ft-lb)

TOOLS

Valve guide reamer, 5.485 mm	07984-0980001
Valve guide driver, 5,5 mm	07742-0010100BR
Valve spring compressor	07757-0010000BR

TROUBLESHOOTING

- Engine top-end problems usually affect engine performance. These can be diagnosed by a compression or leak down test, or by tracing noises to the top-end with a sounding rod or stethoscope.
- If the performance is poor at low speeds, check for white smoke in the crankcase breather tube. If the tube is smoky, check for a seized piston ring.

Compression too low, hard starting or poor performance at low speed

- Valves
- Incorrect valve adjustment
- Burned or bent valves
- Incorrect valve timing
- Broken valve spring
- Weak valve spring
- Cylinder head
- Leaking or damaged cylinder head gasket
- Warped or cracked cylinder head
- Faulty cylinder/piston (Section 7)

Compression too high, overheating or knocking

• Excessive carbon build-up in cylinder or on top of piston

Excessive smoke

- Worn valve stem or valve guide
- Damaged stem seal
- Faulty cylinder or piston (Section 7)

Excessive noise

- Incorrect valve clearance
- Sticking valve or broken valve spring
- Worn or damaged push rod
- Loose or worn cam chain
- Worn or damaged cam chain tensioner
- Worn cam sprocket teeth
- Worn rocker arm and/or shaft
- Faulty cylinder or piston (Section 7)

Rough idle

- Low cylinder compression
- Intake air leak

BOLTS

CYLINDER HEAD COVER/CAMSHAFT

REMOVAL

Remove the following: – starter motor – crankshaft/timing hole caps Remove the bolts, cam chain tensioner lifter and gasket.

Align the "T" mark on the flywheel with the index mark on the left crankcase cover by turning the crankshaft counterclockwise.



CAM CHAIN TENSIONER

INDEX MARK



"T" MARK

CAM SPROCKET COVER



Remove the valve adjusting hole caps and make sure the piston is at T.D.C. on the compression stroke by checking for clearance

If the piston is not at T.D.C. on the compression stroke, rotate the

crankshaft 360 degrees counterclockwise and recheck.

Remove the cam sprocket bolts by holding the crankshaft.

BOLTS

Remove the cam sprocket from the camshaft flange, then remove the cam chain from the sprocket.

NOTE

at both rocker arms.

Remove the cam sprocket cover.

• Suspend the cam chain with a piece of wire to prevent it from falling into the crankcase.



CAM SPROCKET

CAM CHAIN

Remove the engine hanger plate. Remove the cylinder head cover cap nuts/sealing washers and flange bolts in a gradual, crisscross pattern. Remove the cylinder head cover.

Remove the camshaft. Remove the dowel pins.

NOTE

• It is not necessary to force them out.

Remove the rubber plug; do not lose it. Clean off any sealant material from the head cover and cylinder head mating surface.

CAP NUT/SEALING WASHER



HEAD COVER

BOLTS



RUBBER PLUG



CAMSHAFT INSPECTION

Turn the outer races of camshaft bearings with your finger. The bearings should turn smoothly and quietly. Also check that the inner races fit tightly on the camshaft. Measure the height of each cam lobe and inspect it for wear or damage.

SERVICE LIMIT:

Intake:	31.30 mm (1.232 in)
Exhaust:	31.20 mm (1.228 in)



TENSIONER LIFTER INSPECTION

Remove the cam chain tensioner lifter sealing bolt and O-ring. Check the lifter operation:

- the tensioner shaft should not go into the body unless it is pushed.

 When it turned clockwise with a screwdriver, the tensioner shaft shoud be pulled into the body. The shaft should spring out of the body as soon as the screwdriver is released.
 Make a tensioner shaft stopper tool out of a thin piece of steel (0.8 mm thick) using the diagram.



CYLINDER HEAD COVER DISASSEMBLY

Remove the rocker arm shaft plate by removing the setting screw.

Remove the rocker arm shafts by screwing a 6 mm bolt into the threaded ends as shown. Remove the rocker arms.



PLATE



SCREW

ROCKER ARM SHAFT ROCKER ARM



6 mm BOLT



ROCKER ARM/SHAFT INSPECTION

Inspect the rocker arm slipper surfaces for excessive wear. Inspect the rocker arms and shafts for wear or damage.

NOTE

• If the rocker arms require servicing or replacement, inspect the cam lobes for scoring, chipping or flat spots.

Measure the I.D. of each rocker arm. SERVICE LIMIT: 12.05 mm (0.474 in)

Measure the O.D. of each rocker arm shaft. **SERVICE LIMIT: 11.93 mm (0.470 in)**

Calculate the rocker arm-to-shaft clearance. SERVICE LIMIT: 0.08 mm (0.003 in)

SOCKET BOLT/WASHER

CYLINDER HEAD REMOVAL

Remove the following:

- cylinder head cover
- engine from the frame
- cylinder head socket bolt/washer
 cylinder head

- cam chain guide

- gasket
- dowel pins

Clean off any gasket material from the cylinder head and cylinder mating surfaces.

Remove the cam chain tensioner. Check the cam chain tensioner for excessive wear or damage.

Check the cam chain guide for excessive wear or damage.

GASKET DOWEL PIN



CYLINDER HEAD

CAM CHAIN GUIDE

CAM CHAIN TENSIONER



CAM CHAIN GUIDE



CYLINDER HEAD DISASSEMBLY

Remove the cam chain tensioner pivot bolt, washer and cam chain tensioner.

Remove the socket bolts and carburetor insulator.



CAM CHAIN TENSIONER

VALVE

INSULATOR

While compressing the valve spring with a valve spring compressor, remove the valve cotters.

ATTENTION

• To prevent loss of tension, do not compress the valve spring more than necessary to remove the cotters.

TOOL: Valve spring compressor

Loosen the valve spring compressor and remove the following: – spring retainers

- outer and inner valve springs
- spring seats
- inlet and exhaust valve

NOTE

• Mark all disassembled parts to ensure correct reassembly.

Remove the carbon deposits from the combustion chamber. Clean off any gasket materials from the cylinder head surface.

INSPECTION

CYLINDER HEAD

Check the spark plug hole and valve area for cracks. Check the cylinder head for warpage with a straight edge and a feeler gauge.

SERVICE LIMIT: 0.10 mm (0.004 in)



SPRING COMPRESSOR

SPRING SEAT

INNER SPRING



STEM SEAL OUTER SPRING SPRING RETAINER



VALVE

Inspect the valve for trueness, burning, scratches or abnormal stem wear. Measure the valve stem O.D.

SERVICE LIMIT:

In: 5.44 mm (0.214 in)

Ex: 5.42 mm (0.213 in)

Insert each valve into the valve guide and check the valve movement in the guide.



VALVE GUIDE REAMER



VALVE GUIDE

NOTE

- Ream the valve guide to remove the carbon build-up before checking the valve guide.
- Always rotate the reamer clockwise, never couterclockwise when installing, removing and reaming.

Measure and record each valve guide I.D. with a ball gauge or inside micrometer.

SERVICE LIMIT: IN/EX: 5.50 mm (0.217 in)

Calculate the stem-to-guide clearance.

SERVICE LIMIT:

IN: 0.06 mm (0.002 in) EX: 0.08 mm (0.003 in)

NOTE

- If the stem-to-guide clearance exceeds the service limit, determine if a new guide with standard dimensions would bring the clearance within tolerance. If so, replace the guides as necessary and ream to fit.
- If the stem-to-guide clearance still exceeds the service limit with new guides, replace the valve guide reamers
- Reface the valve seat whenever new valve guides are installed.



VALVE SPRING

Measure the valve spring free length.

SERVICE LIMIT:

Inner:	38.0 mm (1.50 in)
Outer:	43.5 mm (1.71 in)



VALVE GUIDE DRIVER

VALVE GUIDE REPLACEMENT

Chill valve guides in the freezer section of a refrigerator for about an hour.

Heat the cylinder head to 100°C with a hot plate or oven.

🛕 WARNING

• To avoid burns, wear heavy gloves when handling the heated cylinder head.



ATTENTION

• Do not use a torch to heat the cylinder head; it may cause warping.

Support the cylinder head and drive out the valve guide from the valve port with a valve guide driver.

ATTENTION

• Avoid damaging the cylinder head.

TOOL: Valve guide driver, 5.5 mm

Place a new O-ring on the new valve guide. Install a valve guide from the top of the cylinder head.

ATTENTION

• When installing a valve guide, take care not to damage the cylinder head.

TOOL: Valve guide driver, 5,5 mm

VALVE GUIDE DRIVER



VALVE GUIDE REAMER

After driving in the valve guide, ream it with a valve guide reamer.

NOTE

- Use cutting oil on the reamer during this operation.
- Always rotate the reamer clockwise, never
- counterclockwise.

Clean the cylinder head thoroughly to remove any metal particles. Reface the valve seat.

VALVE SEAT INSPECTION/REFACING

VALVE SEAT INSPECTION

Clean the intake and exhaust valves thoroughly to remove the carbon deposits.

Apply light coating if Prussian Blue to the valve seats.

Lap the valves and seats using a rubber hose or other hand lapping tool.

Remove the tool and inspect the width of each valve seat.

STANDARD: 1.1 - 1.3mm (0.04 - 0.05 in) SERVICE LIMIT: 1.5 mm (0.06 in)



If the valve seat is too wide, too narrow or has low spots, the seat must be ground.

ATTENTION

• The valve cannot be ground. If a valve face is burned or badly worn or it contact the seat unevenly, replace the valve.



VALVE SEAT GRINDING

Honda Valve Seat Cutters, a grinder or equivalent valve seat refacing equipament are recommended to correct a worn valve seat.

NOTE

• Follow the refacer manufacturer's operating instructions.





Use a 45 degree cutter to remove ant roughness or irregularities from the seat.

NOTE

• Reface the valve seat with a 45 degree cutter when a valve guide is replaced.



Using 32 degree cutter, remove 1/4 of the exiting valve seat material.



Using 60 degree cutter, remove the bottom 1/4 of the oil seat. Remove the cutter and inspect the area you have just removed.



Install a 45 degree finish cutter and cut the seat to proper width. Make sure that all pitting and irregularities are removed. Refinish if necessary.

STANDARD SEAT WIDTH: 1.1 - 1.3 mm (0.04-0.05 in)



Apply thin coat of Prussian Blue to the valve seat. Press the valve through the valve guide and onto the seat to make a clear pattern.

NOTE

• The location of the valve seat in relation to the valve face is very important for good sealing.

If the contact area is too high on the valve, the seat must be lowered using a 32 degree flat cutter.



If the contact area is too low on the valve, the seat must be raised using a 60 degree inner cutter.



Refinish the seat to specifications, using a 45 degree finish cutter.

After cutting the seat, apply lapping compound to the valve face, and lap the valve using light pressure.

After lapping, wash all residual compound off the cylinder head and valve.



STEM SEAL

CYLINDER HEAD ASSEMBLY

Install the inner and outer valve spring seats and new valve stem seals.



VALVE

SPRING SEAT INNER SPRING

Lubricate each valve stem with engine oil. Insert the intake and exhaust valve into the valve guides. Install the valve spring seats, springs and retainers.

NOTE

• Install the valve springs with the narrow pitch end facing the combustion chamber.



STEM SEAL OUTER SPRING SPRING RETAINER

Compress the valve spring and install the valve cotters.

ATTENTION

• To prevent loss of tension, do not compress the valve spring more than necessary.

TOOL: Valve spring compressor



SPRING COMPRESSOR

CYLINDER HEAD/VALVES

Tap the stems gently with a plastic hammer to firmly seat the cotters.

ATTENTION

necessary.

• Support the cylinder head above the work bench surface to prevent valve damage.

Check the insulator O-ring is in good condition, replace if

Install the cam chain tensioner, washer and pivot bolt.

Tighten the pivot bolt to the specified torque.

TORQUE: 10 N.m (1.0 kg.m, 7 ft-lb)

Tighten the insulator socket bolt securely.



O-RING



INSULATOR

PIVOT BOLT/WASHER

SOCKET BOLT



CAM CHAIN TENSIONER





ALIGN

CYLINDER HEAD INSTALLATION

Place the bottom end of the cam chain guide into the groove in the left crankcase, and its bosses in the grooves in the cylinder upper surface.

NOTE

• Make sure that the cam chain is properly installed on the timing sprocket as shown.

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Clean the cylinder head gasket surface of any gasket materials.

NOTE

• Do not allow dust and dirt to enter the engine.

Install the dowel pins, new O-ring and new cylinder head gasket.



CYLINDER HEAD

Install the cylinder head Install a new sealing washer and the tensioner pivot bolt through the tensioner hole. Tighten the bolt to the specified torque. **TORQUE: 10 N.m (1.0 kg.m, 7 ft-lb)**



SOCKET BOLT/WASHER

ROCKER ARM

ROCKER ARM SHAFT



SCREW

PLATE



CAMSHAFT/CYLINDER HEAD COVER INSTALLATION

CYLINDER HEAD COVER ASSEMBLY

Apply oil to the rocker arm shafts.

Install the rocker arms and rocker arm shafts in the cylinder head cover.

With the rocker arm shaft reliefs on the inside, install the rocker arm shaft plate.

Tighten the setting screw securely.

CAMSHAFT/CYLINDER HEAD COVER INSTALLATION

Install the dowel pins and rubber plug.

Apply oil to the cam lobes and camshaft bearings.

Install the camshaft in the cylinder head, positioning the cam lobes down as shown.

Pour fresh oil into the oil pocket in the cylinder head until the cams are submerged.





HEAD COVER

Apply sealant to the mating surface of the cylinder head cover.

ATTENTION

• Do not apply sealant to the oil passage.

Install the head cover onto the cylinder head.



SEALANT

Apply oil to the cap nut threads. Install the new sealing washers/cap nuts and flange bolts. Tighten the cap nut in a crisscross pattern in 2-3 steps.

TORQUE: 27 N.m (2.7 kg.m, 20 ft-lb)

Tighten the flange bolts and setting bolt in a gradual crisscross pattern.

TORQUE: 10 N.m (1.0 kg.m, 7 ft-lb)

Align the "T" mark on the flywheel with the index mark on the left crankcase cover by turning the crankshaft counterclockwise.





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CAM CHAIN

Install the cam sprocket with its timing marks facing out. Install the cam chain over the sprocket as shown.

NOTE

• If it is difficult to install the chain over the sprocket, make sure the chain is set properly on the timing sprocket.



CAM SPROCKET

BOLTS



TIMING MARKS

TENSIONER LIFTER SCREWDRIVER

ER R

GASKET

TENSIONER LIFTER



Align the timing marks on the cam sprocket with the mating surface of the cylinder head and cover, without rotating the crankshaft.

Apply oil to the cam sprocket bolts and install them. Tighten the bolts to the specified torque.

TORQUE: 12 N.m (1.2 kg.m, 9 ft-lb)

Turn the tensioner shaft clockwise with a small screwdriver to retract the tensioner, and hold it in the fully retracted position.

NOTE

• The tensioner will forced out by the spring when it is released.

Wedge the tensioner shaft with a piece of wire to hold the tensioner.

Install a new gasket on the cam chain tensioner lifter and install it.

Tighten the cam chain tensioner lifter mounting bolts.

TORQUE: 12 N.m (1.2 kg.m, 9 ft-lb)

Remove the wire holder piece from the tensioner lifter. Install and tighten the screw with a new O-ring. Tighten the screw to the specified torque.

TORQUE: 4 N.m (0.4 kg.m, 3 ft-lb)

Rotate the crankshaft counterclockwise a few times and recheck the valve timing.

Install a new gasket and O-ring onto the sprocket cover. Install the sprocket cover with its oil pocket facing down as shown.

Install and tighten the cover bolts securely.

Apply clean engine oil to the O-rings of the adjusting hole caps.

Install and tighten the cap bolts.

TORQUE: 15 N.m (1.5 kg.m, 11 ft-lb)

Install and tighten the timing hole cap and crankshaft hole cap.

TORQUE:Timing hole cap:6 N.m (0.6 kg.m, 4 ft-lb)Crankshaft hole cap:8 N.m (0.8 kg.m, 6 ft-lb)

Install the following: – starter motor – engine



O-RING



CAM SPROCKET COVER

BOLTS



TIMING HOLE CAP



CRANKSHAFT HOLE CAP

SOCKET BOLT

SCREW

NOTAS

HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL

This service manual describes the service procedure for the **XL200**.

• Throughout the manual, the following abbreviations are used to identify individual models.

Code	Area (type)
DK	General Type
2LA	Latin America

Follow the Maintenance Schedule (Section 3) recommendations to ensure that the vehicle is in peak operation condition.

Performing the first scheduled maintenance is very important. It compensates for the initial wear that occurs during the break-in period.

Section 1 through 3 apply to the whole motorcycle, while section 4 through 18 describe parts of the motorcycle, grouped according to location.

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Most sections start with an assembly or system illustration, service information and troubleshooting for the section, the subsequent pages give detailed procedures.

If you don't know the source of the trouble, go to section 20 TROUBLESHOOTING.

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