

Perform maintenance on firm, level ground using the side stand (CRF450RX), an optional workstand, or equivalent support.

When tightening bolts, nuts or screws, start with the larger diameter or inner fasteners, and tighten them to the specified torque using a crisscross pattern.

Use Honda Genuine Parts or their equivalents when servicing your CRF.

Clean parts in non-flammable (high flash point) cleaning solvent (such as kerosene) when disassembling. Lubricate any sliding surfaces, O-rings, and seals before reassembling. Grease parts by coating or filling where specified.

After any engine disassembly, always install new gaskets, O-rings, cotter pins, piston pin clips, snap rings, etc. when reassembling. After reassembly, check all parts for proper installation and operation.

### **All Pre-ride Inspection Items**

Refer to *Pre-ride Inspection* on page 13.