

2. Spark Plug

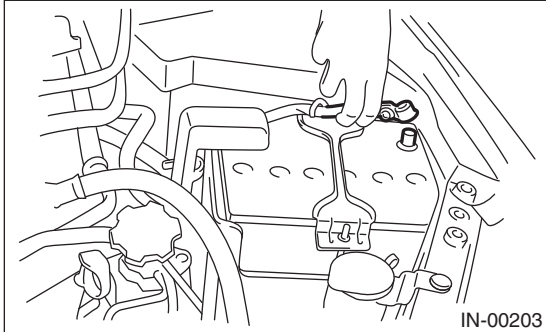
A: REMOVAL

Spark plug:

Refer to "SPECIFICATION" for the spark plug. <Ref. to IG(H4DOTC)-2, SPECIFICATION, General Description.>

1. RH SIDE

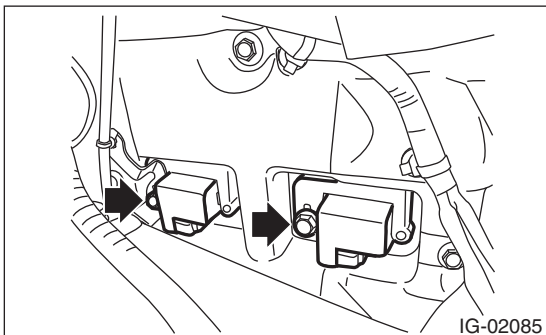
- 1) Remove the collector cover.
- 2) Disconnect the ground cable from the battery.



- 3) Remove the air cleaner case. <Ref. to IN(H4DOTC)-8, REMOVAL, Air Cleaner Case.>
- 4) Disconnect the connector from ignition coil.
- 5) Remove the ignition coil.

NOTE:

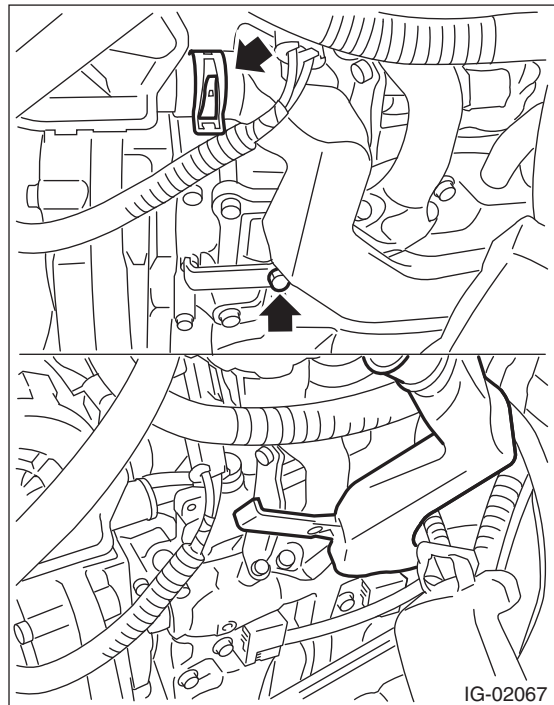
Turn #3 ignition coil by 180 degrees to remove it.



- 6) Remove the spark plug with a spark plug socket.

2. LH SIDE

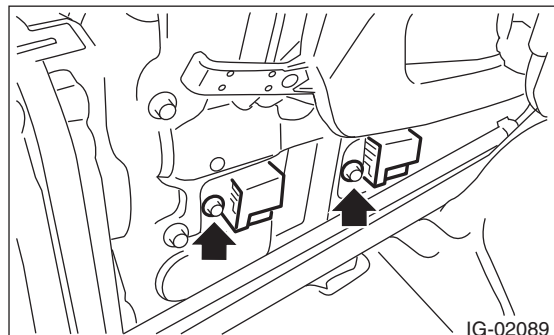
- 1) Remove the collector cover.
- 2) Remove the battery and battery carrier.
- 3) Disconnect the air duct from the secondary air pump.
- 4) Remove the bolts that attach the air pump duct to the rocker cover LH, and raise the air pump duct.



- 5) Disconnect the connector from ignition coil.
- 6) Remove the ignition coil.

NOTE:

Turn #4 ignition coil by 180 degrees to remove it.



- 7) Remove the spark plug with a spark plug socket.

B: INSTALLATION

1. RH SIDE

Install in the reverse order of removal.

Tightening torque (Spark plug):
21 N·m (2.1 kgf-m, 15.5 ft-lb)

Tightening torque (Ignition coil):
16 N·m (1.6 kgf-m, 11.8 ft-lb)

2. LH SIDE

Install in the reverse order of removal.

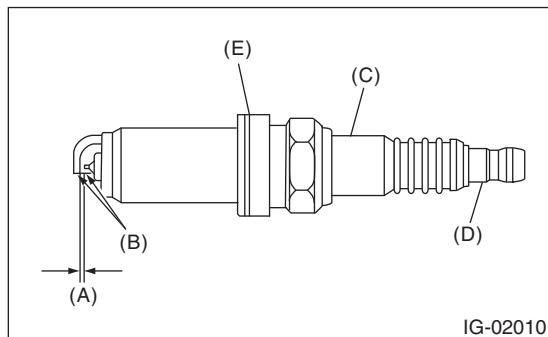
Tightening torque (Spark plug):
21 N·m (2.1 kgf-m, 15.5 ft-lb)

Tightening torque (Ignition coil):
16 N·m (1.6 kgf-m, 11.8 ft-lb)

Tightening torque (Air pump duct):
9 N·m (0.9 kgf-m, 6.6 ft-lb)

C: INSPECTION

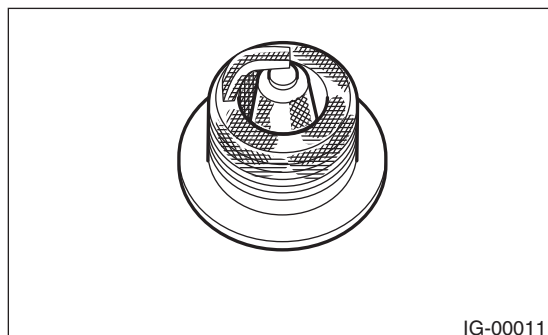
Check the electrodes and inner and outer ceramic insulator of plugs, noting the type of deposits and the degree of electrode erosion.



- (A) Spark plug gap
- (B) Carbon accumulation or wear
- (C) Crack
- (D) Damage
- (E) Damaged gasket

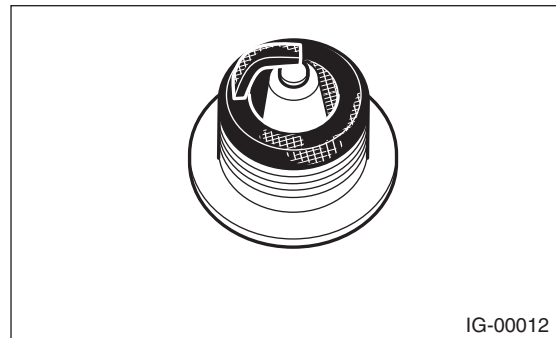
1) Normal:

Brown to grayish-tan deposits and slight electrode wear indicate correct spark plug heat range.



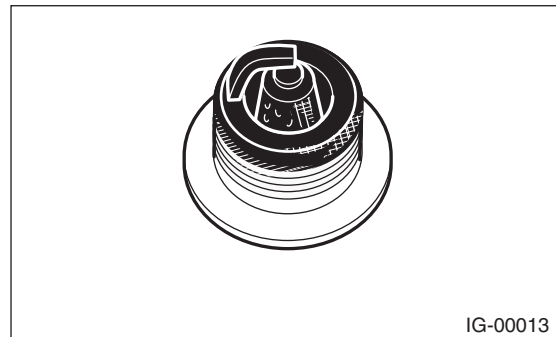
2) Carbon fouled:

Dry fluffy carbon deposits on insulator and electrode are mostly caused by slow speed driving in the city, weak ignition, too rich fuel mixture and dirty air cleaner.



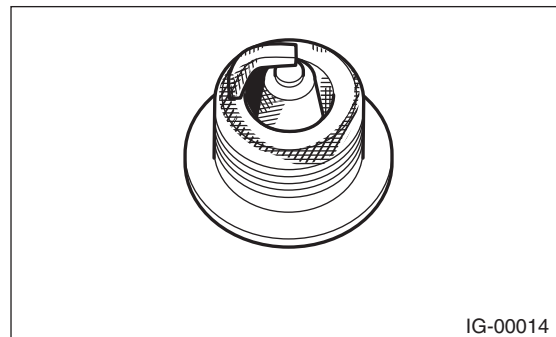
3) Oil fouled:

Wet black deposits show oil entrance into the combustion chamber through worn rings and excessive clearance between valve guides and stems.



4) Overheating:

White or light gray insulator with black or brown spots and bluish burnt electrodes indicate engine overheating, incorrect ignition timing, wrong selection of fuel, and loose spark plugs.



D: ADJUSTMENT

Clean up the spark plug using nylon brush or equivalent. Clean and remove the carbon or oxide deposits. If deposits are too stubborn, replace the spark plugs. After cleaning the spark plugs, measure the spark plug gap using a gap gauge.

NOTE:

- Never use a plug cleaner.
- Never use a metal brush because it makes insulator worn.

Spark plug gap: L

0.7 — 0.8 mm (0.028 — 0.031 in)

