

Both left and right marks should correspond. If the axle is misaligned, turn the left or right adjusting bolt until the marks correspond on the scale graduation on the swingarm and recheck chain slack.

6. Tighten the axle nut to:
90 N·m (9.0 kg-m, 65 lb-ft)
7. Tighten the adjusting bolts lightly, then tighten the lock nuts by holding the adjusting bolts with a spanner.
Recheck drive chain slack.
8. Rear brake pedal free play is affected when repositioning the rear wheel to adjust drive chain slack. Check rear brake pedal free play and adjust as necessary (page 15).

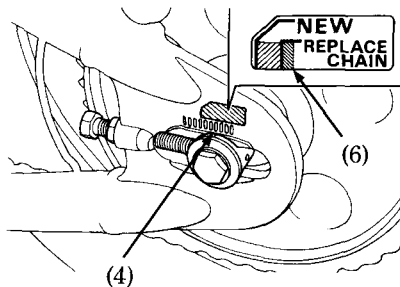
Wear inspection:

Check the chain wear label when adjusting the chain. If the red zone (6) on the label aligns with the arrow mark (4) on the chain adjuster plates after the chain has been adjusted to the proper

slack, the chain is excessively worn and must be replaced. The proper slack is:

20—30 mm (0.8—1.2 in)

This motorcycle has a staked master link drive chain which requires a special tool for cutting and staking. Do not use an ordinary master link with this chain. See your authorized Honda dealer.



(4) Index mark

(6) Red zone