

# If Your Engine Quits or Won't Start

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SYMPTOM: Engine starts, but runs poorly.	
POSSIBLE CAUSE	WHAT TO DO
idles roughly, too fast, stalls	Check engine idle adjustment (page 110). If the problem persists, see your dealer.
poor engine performance at altitudes above 3,000 feet (1,000 m)	Ask your dealer to modify the carburetion with a high altitude jet. Refer to <i>High Altitude Carburetor Adjustment</i> , page 183.
runs erratically, misfires	May damage catalytic converter. See your dealer.
blubbers (rich fuel mixture)	See your dealer.
sooty exhaust (rich fuel mixture)	See your dealer.
detonates or pings under load	If applicable, switch to the recommended octane gasoline (page 89) or change your brand of gasoline. If the problem persists, see your dealer.
afterfires (backfires)	May damage catalytic converter. See your dealer.
pre-ignition (runs on after ignition switched OFF)	May damage catalytic converter. See your dealer.