



## Set Timing Pointer

**Note** If the timing pointer bracket has been disturbed, check the timing pointer alignment.

1. Remove the three spark plugs from the cylinder head.

**1** 2. Loosen the screw securing the timing pointer. Center the timing pointer. Tighten the screw.

3. Rotate the flywheel clockwise until the cast-in TDC mark is approximately 1 in. (25,4 mm) past the timing pointer. **NEVER** rotate the flywheel counterclockwise.

**2** 4. Install **OMC** Piston Stop Tool, P/N 384887, in the No. 1 cylinder. Adjust the tool to make contact with the piston.

**3** 5. While holding the piston firmly against the piston stop tool, make a mark **A** on the flywheel inline with the timing pointer.

**4** 6. Turn the flywheel in a clockwise direction until the piston contacts the tool again. Make a second mark **B** on the flywheel inline with the timing pointer. Remove the piston stop tool.

**5** 7. Use the molded-in marks to find the midpoint between marks **A** and **B**. Place a mark **C** at this location.

**6** 8. Rotate the flywheel clockwise to line up mark **C** with the timing pointer. Hold the flywheel in this position. Loosen the timing pointer screw and move it to line up with the cast-in TDC line. Tighten the screw securely.

9. Install the spark plugs and tighten them to 18-20 ft. lbs. (24-27 N·m).

