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Evaluation of sparking period and ignition voltage peaks at idling speed.

- 1. Normal combustion period
- Normal ignition voltage peak. Ignition system is OK.

Long sparking period (1) with low ignition voltage peak (2). Indicates low compression.

Fluctuating sparking period:

Indicates contamination on spark plug (shunt).

Short sparking period (1) with high ignition voltage peak. Constant but short sparking period: Indicates defective ignition lead.

## Note:

The sparking-voltage line could sometimes be missing completely and the ignition voltage peak could rise very high.

## **Ignition Voltage Too High:**

Electrode gap	large
Compression	high

Fuel air mixture	lean
Electrode temperature	low
Electrode condition	burnt
Ignition lead	interrupted

## **Ignition Voltage Too Low:**

Electrode gap	small
Compression	low
Fuel air mixture	correct
Electrode temperature	high
Electrode condition	new