



FAQ's

What are the NV Renegades?

The Renegades are a spring/summer travel team in the Northern Valley playing in Bergen County

What is the difference between Club and Travel Softball?

Travel is seasonal, less expensive and more hometown based. Club softball is a year-long commitment that includes both fall and spring/summer seasons with winter practices. Club requires travel outside the immediate area and has a roster with no geographic restrictions.

What is the difference between the Vipers and the Renegades?

In short, the NJ Vipers (NJV) is a year round program ([see description here](#)) while the NV Renegades (NVR) is a less formal and seasonal commitment with training in the late winter/ early spring weeknight summer games. The Vipers are a play to win club program and has tryouts to make the team.

How long have the Renegades been around?

The Renegades have been together for more than 10 years and is overseen by many of the same coaches that coach the Vipers club program, hence offering a higher level of expertise than many travel programs.

Why do the Renegades have indoor training?

Travel ball is an enhanced commitment for those who want something more than the rec programs provide. This is either a steppingstone to club ball or the destination for players who want better competition but only seasonally. The summer games are for wins and losses and there is enhanced competition. We train players so they can be prepared for what they will see.

How long does the season run?

Our season runs from on or about the first week of June to on or about the third week of July. We will play fifteen or so games over 6 weeks, including one weekend tournament in early or mid-June.

Does this interfere with Rec?

It is not intended to. Since Rec is managed by different towns in different manners, and coaches can schedule/ re-schedule games at will, we try to stay to times when Rec does not compete. Our indoor training will run up to the Rec openers, then default to late Sunday afternoons for practices or even a scrimmage.

So, do you practice and play during the rec season?

As listed above, we usually set aside a little time on Sunday afternoons/ early evening for Renegades to avoid conflicts with rec and club team schedules

Are there tryouts?

No, we do not cut anyone from the Northern Valley. Our main goal is to grow the game and to do so through teaching how to perform in a more competitive environment. The game is faster than rec and much more reliant on a full team effort

How can I find out more information and where do we sign up?

You can read all about our program at our website at

<https://northjerseyvipers.teamsnapsites.com/northern-valley-renegades-summer-travel/>

Can players play both Renegades and Vipers.

Yes, and this is strongly encouraged. A great benefit of playing under one roof is schedule control to ensure kids are not “over-scheduled” but also to eliminate conflicts. In addition, we feel it is important to play with the players who will be attending the same high school and learn how to play together. Most if not all Viper players play for their town travel teams during the summer and will play against Viper teammates. Lastly, this is where Renegades players may make the decision to pursue club ball and if so, we want it to be here with the Vipers.

What is the cost to play Renegades?

Our cost is \$450 for 10U and \$475 for 12/14U, plus uniforms. We use the same uniforms as previous years, so if they fit and can be used a second year they do not need to be repurchased. Estimated cost for uniform package is \$125.