

To Whom It May Concern,

It is my great pleasure to write a letter of recommendation for Mark van Hoff. I was fortunate to have Mark as a member of my ESPN team at the 2010 FIFA World Cup in his home country of South Africa and again in 2014 in Brazil.

At both World Cups we had a small announce team traveling from stadium to stadium to broadcast matches almost on a daily basis, with Mark being responsible for our match audio, announce position and commentator camera set up. We would travel into the stadium the day of the match with Mark carrying our ESPN specific audio equipment to our assigned position and assembling our broadcast area. As the Producer and head of the team, with Mark handling our audio configuration I was never concerned that we would not be ready on time or set up correctly to broadcast a match. Mark knew the equipment, planned ahead, scouted locations when possible, knew the right people to talk to if issues arose, and solved problems when necessary.

The first word that comes to mind in thinking about Mark is reliability. He got the job done no matter the circumstances. But he also brought many more qualities that make him a valuable employee. He is a hard worker, problem solver and a team player whose main goal was finished product on air. These qualities translated to other areas of the broadcast as well, not just his own responsibilities. He was quick to lend a hand on any aspect of the production, even up to and including travel issues, and his personality helped make the working environment that much more enjoyable.

It was a pleasure to have Mark on our ESPN announce team twice for the single biggest sporting event in the world. Knowing I had Mark on my team made my job easier. That is why I would have Mark with me on any event and why I am happy to recommend him. He would be an asset to any team.

Thank you,

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