

# Job Of The Week

## 17th October

### SPORTS COMMENTATOR



## Salary

The salary of a Sports Commentator can range from £13,000 to £80,000

## Typical Hours

39-41 hours a week. You could work evenings, weekends and bank holidays

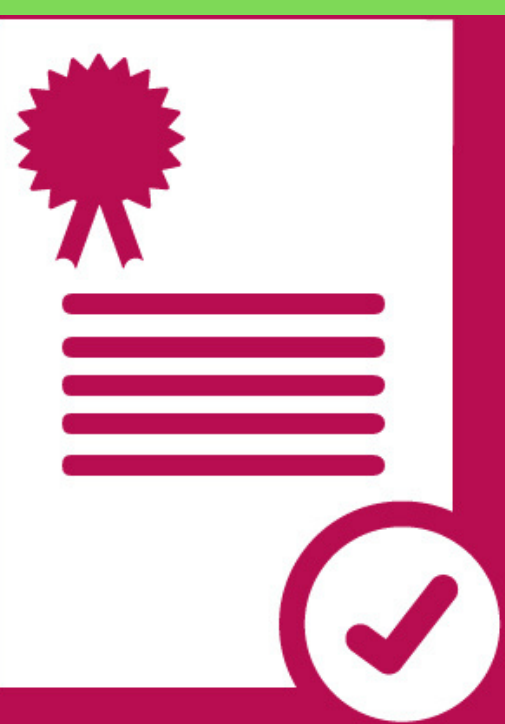


## Entry Requirements

You can get into this job through:

- a university course - You'll usually need 2 to 3 A-Levels, or equivalent
- an apprenticeship - These include, level 5 Journalist and level 7 senior journalist
- working towards this role - Getting started as a broadcast assistant in a TV or radio company and working your way upwards
- volunteering - Gaining practical experience through working at events, volunteering at your local radio station or commentating at local events
- applying directly - You can gain advice from employers and current students

Competition for jobs is very strong and very few jobs are advertised. Building up a network of industry contacts can help you find out about vacancies. You'll need to record examples of your commentating to show your skills to potential employers.





## What You'll do

In this role you could:

- prepare for an event by researching clubs, coaches or players
- work with a production team
- take direction from a producer
- interview sports professionals
- report on the action as it takes place and give updates on the scores and highlights
- describe events in an impartial, yet enthusiastic way
- work with experts who give their opinion or statistics
- attend conferences, games and tournaments
- update your website, blog or social media feed



## Career Path & Progression

You could move from short-term, freelance contract work to full-time permanent work with regional, national or international broadcasters. With experience, you could become a studio-based presenter, move into programme making and producing, management, or written sports reporting.

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