Setting Up Qtile with Polybar - PDF Guide

Step 1: Download the zip file

You should have downloaded qtile_polybar_setup.zip either from the link provided or saved it manually.

Step 2: Open a terminal

Use your application launcher or shortcut (usually Ctrl+Alt+T) to open a terminal window.

Step 3: Navigate to the folder where the zip is located

For example, if it was downloaded to your Downloads folder:

cd ~/Downloads

Step 4: Unzip the setup

Run the following command to extract everything into your config directory:

unzip qtile_polybar_setup.zip -d ~/.config/

Step 5: Make the necessary scripts executable

Run these commands to ensure all scripts can be run by Qtile and Polybar:

chmod +x ~/.config/polybar/launch.sh

chmod +x ~/.config/polybar/scripts/*.sh

chmod +x ~/.config/polybar/scripts/*.py

Step 6: Log into Qtile

Now switch to your Qtile session (or restart Qtile if you're already in it).

Polybar should start automatically with all modules working.

Step 7: (Optional) Test in XFCE

If you're testing inside XFCE, you can manually run:
~/.config/polybar/launch.sh
Make sure no other Polybar or system tray is running (you can use pkill polybar or pkill volumeicon).