GitHub SSH Setup & Push Guide (Kali Linux)

Step 1: Install Git

Check if Git is installed: git --version If not installed, run: sudo apt update sudo apt install git -y

Step 2: Configure Git (one-time)

git config --global user.name "Your Name" git config --global user.email "your_email@example.com"

Step 3: Generate SSH Key (one-time)

ssh-keygen -t ed25519 -C "your_email@example.com"

- Press Enter for file location
- Press Enter for passphrase (or set one)

Step 4: Add Key to SSH Agent

eval "\$(ssh-agent -s)" ssh-add ~/.ssh/id_ed25519

Step 5: Add SSH Key to GitHub

Show your key: cat \sim /.ssh/id_ed25519.pub Copy it \rightarrow GitHub \rightarrow Settings \rightarrow SSH and GPG keys \rightarrow New SSH key \rightarrow Paste \rightarrow Save

Step 6: Test SSH Connection

ssh -T git@github.com

- Type 'yes' when asked
- Success message: 'Hi username! You've successfully authenticated'

Step 7: Create Empty Repo on GitHub

On GitHub \rightarrow New Repository \rightarrow Name it \rightarrow Keep empty (no README) \rightarrow Copy SSH URL (git@github.com:username/repo.git)

Step 8: Push Local Project

Go to project folder: cd /path/to/project

If new project (not a repo yet):
git init
git add .
git commit -m "Initial commit"
git branch -M main
git remote add origin git@github.com:USERNAME/REPO_NAME.git
git push -u origin main

If already a repo: git branch -M main git remote add origin git@github.com:USERNAME/REPO_NAME.git git push -u origin main

Step 9: Daily Workflow

After making changes: git add . git commit -m "your message" git push