# Keyboard Layout in Xfce

If you haven't set the keyboard layout system-wide, you can specify it in `Xfce 4 Settings Manager`.

### Setting Keyboard Layout

1. Open `Xfce 4 Settings Manager`

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Menu => Settings => Settings Manager
```

2. Click on the `Keyboard` icon.

3. Switch to the `Layout` tab.

4. Untick `Use system defaults`

5. Click the `Add` button and choose the appropriate keymap from the list.

6. Select the active layout.

### Xfce Keyboard Plugin

If you need to switch between different layouts, installing the Xfce panel keyboard plugin might be a more convenient option.

1. Install `xfce4-xkb-plugin` from SlackBuilds

2. Right-click on the Xfce panel and choose `Add new items`

3. Select `Keyboard` and click `Add`

4. The keyboard plugin should appear in your panel.

Note: Also you can set your keyboard layouts manually, by:

```
setxkbmap -option grp:switch,grp:alt_shift_toggle
```

# Sources

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