

Sea Freight from China to Oruro

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China → Oruro · via LPB air / Iquique transit · clearance by Aduana Nacional de Bolivia



Cargo handling on the China–Oruro lane.

For buyers shipping into Oruro, the practical question is not the ocean or flight time but what happens after arrival. Oruro is mining region and rail junction; cargo enters through LPB air / Iquique transit, and allow +1 day for the inland leg on top of clearance.

Clearance itself is handled by Aduana Nacional de Bolivia, and typical dwell at the gateway runs 7–15 days.

How this lane actually runs

Bolivia is reached through Arica or Iquique in Chile under a long-standing transit treaty, then by road over the altiplano — a leg that adds a week or more and its own paperwork. Santa Cruz is the commercial center and is usually served through Arica; La Paz is

closer to the border but the mountain road is the slower part of the journey.

Sea gateways used	Landlocked — via Arica or Iquique (Chile) under transit agreement
Sea transit, China to gateway	32-45 calendar days including the Chilean transit leg
Gateway serving Oruro	LPB air / Iquique transit
Inland leg to Oruro	+1 day from the gateway
Typical clearance / dwell	7-15 days
Peak season to plan around	Sep-Nov

Duty, tax and clearance into Oruro

Aduana Nacional de Bolivia assesses duty and tax on cargo arriving for Oruro consignees. Current regime: IVA 14.94% effective; duty 0-40%; ICE excise on selected goods, with a de-minimis position of No practical de-minimis for commercial cargo.

Conformity is the part most first-time importers underestimate: IBNORCA conformity for regulated goods; import registration for the consignee. Getting this wrong is expensive because it usually cannot be fixed after the cargo has landed.

Restrictions and known friction points for Bolivia: Chilean transit creates a second customs regime and bonded movement. Altiplano road conditions and altitude restrictions affect certain cargo. Contraband-control checks on consumer goods are frequent.



Handling on the LPB air / Iquique transit routing serving Oruro.

Before you book: Oruro checklist

- Check the de-minimis position (No practical de-minimis for commercial cargo) against your invoice value before you decide how to split the shipment.
- Compare gross weight against volumetric weight ($L \times W \times H \div 6000$) — the higher figure is what gets billed on air and express.
- Use ISPM-15 treated pallets. Untreated wood is the most common reason otherwise-clean cargo gets held.
- Confirm the consignee in Oruro can act as importer of record — Aduana Nacional de Bolivia will not release cargo to an unregistered party.
- Get the conformity paperwork moving early: IBNORCA conformity for regulated goods; import registration for the consignee.
- Photograph carton markings and seal numbers before departure — it makes any claim far easier to settle.

Frequently asked questions

How long does shipping from China to Oruro take?

China to the Bolivia gateway is 32–45 calendar days including the Chilean transit leg. On top of that, allow 7–15 days of clearance with Aduana Nacional de Bolivia and a +1 day inland leg to Oruro.

What duty and tax will I pay importing into Oruro?

Aduana Nacional de Bolivia applies: IVA 14.94% effective; duty 0–40%; ICE excise on selected goods. The de-minimis position is No practical de-minimis for commercial cargo. Under a DDP arrangement these are pre-paid, so nothing is collected on arrival in Oruro.

How is the chargeable weight calculated for Oruro?

We compare actual gross weight against volumetric weight — length × width × height in centimeters divided by 6000 for air — and bill the greater of the two, rounded up to the next kilogram. Light, bulky cargo is almost always billed on volume.

When is the busiest time on the China–Bolivia lane?

Space and rates tighten around Sep–Nov, plus the China-side windows of Chinese New Year in January or February and Golden Week in early October. Book one to two weeks earlier in those periods.

Can you deliver door-to-door in Oruro?

Yes. Delivery to a Oruro address is quoted as one figure covering freight, duty and tax owed to Aduana Nacional de Bolivia, and the +1 day inland leg. Confirm whether your consignee wants the goods at a warehouse, a marketplace fulfillment center or a shop front, because the last-mile requirement differs.

Can you ship batteries or sensitive cargo to Oruro?

Yes. Battery cargo by sea moves under UN3480/UN3481 with an MSDS, and the dangerous-goods documentation is prepared as part of the booking into Landlocked — via Arica or Iquique (Chile) under transit agreement. Surcharges apply and space is more limited than for general cargo.

Other delivery cities in Bolivia

- [China to Santa Cruz de la Sierra](#)
- [China to La Paz](#)
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References & official sources

Duty rates, thresholds and conformity requirements for Bolivia change by ministerial decision, sometimes mid-year. The figures on this page are buyer-planning references, not a customs ruling — confirm the current position for your own HS code with Aduana Nacional de Bolivia or your broker before you ship.

- [Aduana Nacional de Bolivia](#)
- [WTO — Tariff Profiles \(applied MFN duty by country\)](#)
- [World Bank — Logistics Performance Index](#)
- [ICC — Incoterms 2020 rules \(DDP, DAP, FOB definitions\)](#)
- [IPPC — ISPM 15 wood packaging standard](#)
- [WCO — Harmonized System nomenclature](#)

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Shipping by industry

This page covers the route and clearance picture for the destination. Packing, classification and the compliance step that actually holds a shipment depend on what you are sending — these guides cover that by commodity.

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Checking the Bolivia duty position yourself

Duty and tax figures on this page are planning estimates. The binding assessment is made by Aduana Nacional de Bolivia against your declared HS code at the time of entry; where the amount is material, verify the current rate through [ITC Market Access Map](#) before committing to an order.

Most landed-cost surprises trace back to classification rather than freight. [the WCO Harmonized System](#) defines the heading structure every customs administration builds on, and [ITC Market Access Map](#) will show you the duty a given heading attracts in this destination.

For ocean cargo, restricted commodities move under [the IMO's IMDG Code](#), and the container has to be declared and stowed accordingly. Batteries, flammables and corrosives all have a compliant ocean path; what causes rolled bookings is finding out about them after the container is packed.

Watch: the process behind this route

This guide covers routing and clearance for Oruro. The video below covers the wider shipping process that sits around it.

Bills of Lading 101 - What Is a Bill of Lading — Flexport. Published on YouTube by a third party; we link it because it explains the process well, not because we produced it or endorse the provider.

Get a rate for Oruro

This lane is quoted per shipment rather than from a published rate card, because the landed cost depends on the commodity, its density, the conformity requirements above and the delivery point. Send the cargo details and we will come back with a full DDP figure.

[Request a quote →](#)

Freight Rates to Bolivia

✚ Cargo Weight (KG)

☐ Enter the actual gross weight of your shipment in kilograms. If you're unsure, fill in the volume fields below and we'll calculate it for you.

☐ Or enter volume (cm) — volumetric weight ÷ 6000

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Non-integers rounded up. Larger of actual vs volumetric is used.

☐ Number of Boxes

Total chargeable weight = weight per box × number of boxes.

⚠ When you have not filled in the volume information, our prices may be inaccurate.

Oruro Sea Freight, Bolivia: Cost, Transit & Customs

Sea Freight to Oruro: 32–45 calendar days including the Chilean transit leg in transit, cleared by Aduana Nacional de Bolivia, +1 day to the door. What the rate covers and what it does not.

Get a Quote

Send the cargo details and we respond within one business day with a full DDP figure for Oruro.

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Customs clearance in Bolivia

Duty and tax position, certification, typical port dwell and what actually holds shipments at this border — plus who files the entry.

[Bolivia clearance requirements →](#)