

Shipping from China to Belo Horizonte

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China → Belo Horizonte · via CNF air / Santos sea · clearance by Receita Federal do Brasil



Cargo handling on the China-Belo Horizonte lane.

Freight from China into Belo Horizonte clears through CNF air / Santos sea. Belo Horizonte is mining and manufacturing region capital, and allow +2 days for the inland leg on top of clearance.

The clearing authority is Receita Federal do Brasil. Historical dwell on this gateway is around 7-15 days, and it lengthens in Sep-Nov.

What the routing looks like in practice

Brazil is the most complex tax jurisdiction in the Americas. Federal duty is only the starting point — IPI, PIS/COFINS and state-level ICMS compound on top, and ICMS differs by state, so the same goods cost different amounts landed in São Paulo and Manaus. The

Manaus Free Trade Zone is a genuine alternative structure for electronics assembly inputs.

Air gateways used	GRU (São Paulo), VCP (Campinas), GIG (Rio de Janeiro)
Air transit, China to gateway	4–7 business days
Sea gateways used	Santos, Paranaguá, Itajaí
Sea transit, China to gateway	30–40 calendar days
Gateway serving Belo Horizonte	CNF air / Santos sea
Inland leg to Belo Horizonte	+2 days from the gateway
Typical clearance / dwell	7–15 days
Peak season to plan around	Sep–Nov

Import duty and tax position for Belo Horizonte

Imports into Brazil are cleared by Receita Federal do Brasil. The headline position is: Import duty 10–35% plus IPI, PIS/COFINS and state ICMS — the compounded effective rate frequently exceeds 60%. The de-minimis threshold is USD 50 for consignments between individuals only.

Conformity is the part most first-time importers underestimate: ANATEL homologation for telecom and radio devices; INMETRO certification for a wide range of consumer goods. Getting this wrong is expensive because it usually cannot be fixed after the cargo has landed.

Restrictions and known friction points for Brazil: ANATEL homologation is mandatory for anything that transmits, and takes months to obtain — start before production. INMETRO certification covers many consumer categories. Import licensing applies to a substantial list of goods and must be granted before shipment.



Handling on the CNF air / Santos sea routing serving Belo Horizonte.

Air, sea or overland into Belo Horizonte?

Mode	Transit to gateway	Best suited to
➔ Air Freight	4-7 business days	time-critical, high-value and low-volume cargo
🚢 Sea Freight	30-40 calendar days	volume cargo where cost per kilo matters more than speed

Transit shown is China departure to the Brazil gateway and excludes the +2 days inland leg to Belo Horizonte and 7-15 days of clearance.

Pre-shipment checklist for Belo Horizonte

- Check the de-minimis position (USD 50 for consignments between individuals only) against your invoice value before you decide how to split the shipment.
- Use ISPM-15 treated pallets. Untreated wood is the most common reason otherwise-clean cargo gets held.
- Compare gross weight against volumetric weight ($L \times W \times H \div 6000$) — the higher figure is what gets billed on air and express.
- Budget for the inland leg: +2 days beyond gateway clearance to reach Belo Horizonte.
- Get the conformity paperwork moving early: ANATEL homologation for telecom and radio devices; INMETRO certification for a wide range of consumer goods.
- Photograph carton markings and seal numbers before departure — it makes any claim far easier to settle.

Mode guides for Belo Horizonte

- [➔ Air Freight to Belo Horizonte](#)
- [🚢 Sea Freight to Belo Horizonte](#)

Frequently asked questions

How long does shipping from China to Belo Horizonte take?

China to the Brazil gateway is 4–7 business days by air, 30–40 calendar days by sea. On top of that, allow 7–15 days of clearance with Receita Federal do Brasil and a +2 days inland leg to Belo Horizonte.

What duty and tax will I pay importing into Belo Horizonte?

Receita Federal do Brasil applies: Import duty 10–35% plus IPI, PIS/COFINS and state ICMS — the compounded effective rate frequently exceeds 60%. The de-minimis position is USD 50 for consignments between individuals only. Under a DDP arrangement these are pre-paid, so nothing is collected on arrival in Belo Horizonte.

Can you deliver door-to-door in Belo Horizonte?

Yes. Delivery to a Belo Horizonte address is quoted as one figure covering freight, duty and tax owed to Receita Federal do Brasil, and the +2 days 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.

What documents does Receita Federal do Brasil require?

A commercial invoice with HS codes, a packing list, the bill of lading or air waybill, a certificate of origin where it lowers duty, and any product certification (ANATEL homologation for telecom and radio devices; INMETRO certification for a wide range of consumer goods). We prepare and file these as part of the service.

When is the busiest time on the China–Brazil 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.

Is sea freight cheaper than air freight into Belo Horizonte?

Per kilo, yes — usually by a wide margin. The trade-off is time: 30–40 calendar days by sea versus 4–7 business days by air to the Brazil gateway, before clearance and the +2 days inland leg. The crossover point is normally somewhere between 100 and 300 kg depending on the density of your cargo.

Other delivery cities in Brazil

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References & official sources

Duty rates, thresholds and conformity requirements for Brazil 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 Receita Federal do Brasil or your broker before you ship.

- [Receita Federal — Aduana](#)
- [ANATEL homologation](#)
- [INMETRO](#)
- [WTO — Tariff Profiles \(applied MFN duty by country\)](#)
- [IATA — Lithium battery shipping guidance \(PI 965-970\)](#)
- [World Bank — Logistics Performance Index](#)
- [ICC — Incoterms 2020 rules \(DDP, DAP, FOB definitions\)](#)
- [IPPC — ISPM 15 wood packaging standard](#)

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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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- [Bathroom Accessories Consumer Goods & Gifts](#)
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Checking the Brazil duty position yourself

We publish these figures so you can budget, but the assessment that binds is the one [Receita Federal do Brasil](#) makes on your declaration. Where a shipment is large enough that a percentage point matters, check their current tariff guidance rather than ours.

Classification drives everything downstream: the same carton can attract very different duty depending on the heading it lands in, and the structure those headings come from is [the World Customs Organization Harmonized System](#). If your product sits near a boundary between two headings, resolve it before shipping rather than at the border.

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.

If this is your first shipment into Brazil, the [Brazil Country Commercial Guide](#) covers the practical import environment in more depth than a rate page reasonably can, and it is written by a party with no stake in your booking.

Watch: the process behind this route

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

Ocean Freight 101 - What Is LCL Ocean Freight — 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 Belo Horizonte

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 → See the Brazil route page →](#)

Freight Rates to Brazil

📦 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

× ×

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.

Shipping from China to Belo Horizonte, Brazil: Cost & Transit

Shipping to Belo Horizonte: gateway CNF air / Santos sea, +2 days inland after release, duty assessed by Receita Federal do Brasil.

Transit, documents and restrictions.

Get a Quote

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

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Customs clearance in Brazil

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

[Brazil clearance requirements →](#)

Priced routes to Brazil

- [Yantian to Rio de Janeiro FCL Ocean Freight Rates | 20GP & 40HQ](#)
- [Ningbo to Itapoa FCL Ocean Freight Rates | 20GP & 40HQ](#)
- [Yantian to Santos FCL Ocean Freight Rates | 20GP & 40HQ](#)
- [Ningbo to Navegantes Container Shipping — 40HQ Rates](#)
- [Yantian-Navegantes Sea Freight: Container Rates and Schedule](#)
- [Ningbo to Suape FCL Ocean Freight Rates | 20GP & 40HQ](#)