

Shipping from China to Domoni

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China → Domoni · via HAH air / Mutsamudu sea · clearance by Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores



Cargo handling on the China-Domoni lane.

Freight from China into Domoni clears through HAH air / Mutsamudu sea. Domoni is second town on Anjouan, and allow +2 days for the inland leg on top of clearance.

The clearing authority is Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores. Historical dwell on this gateway is around 7-15 days, and it lengthens in Sep-Nov.

How this lane actually runs

Mutsamudu on Anjouan is the deeper port and handles much of the container volume, with Moroni serving Grande Comore. Cargo transships through Mombasa, Dar es Salaam or Port Louis. Inter-island movement is by small coastal vessel and should never be

assumed to be included in a quote.

Air gateways used	HAH (Moroni Prince Said Ibrahim)
Air transit, China to gateway	7-10 business days
Sea gateways used	Moroni, Mutsamudu (Anjouan)
Sea transit, China to gateway	26-36 calendar days
Gateway serving Domoni	HAH air / Mutsamudu sea
Inland leg to Domoni	+2 days from the gateway
Typical clearance / dwell	7-15 days
Peak season to plan around	Sep-Nov

What you will pay on arrival in Comoros

Imports into Comoros are cleared by Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores. The headline position is: Consumption tax on imports in place of VAT; duty 0-30% depending on commodity. The de-minimis threshold is No practical de-minimis for commercial cargo.

Conformity is the part most first-time importers underestimate: Import authorisation for controlled goods. Getting this wrong is expensive because it usually cannot be fixed after the cargo has landed.

Restrictions and known friction points for Comoros: Inter-island delivery is a separate cost. Feeder frequency is limited and irregular. Confirm which island the consignee is on before quoting a door rate.



Handling on the HAH air / Mutsamudu sea routing serving Domoni.

Air, sea or overland into Domoni?

Mode	Transit to gateway	Best suited to
→ Air Freight	7-10 business days	time-critical, high-value and low-volume cargo
☐ Sea Freight	26-36 calendar days	volume cargo where cost per kilo matters more than speed

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

What to sort out before the cargo leaves China

- Budget for the inland leg: +2 days beyond gateway clearance to reach Domoni.
- Compare gross weight against volumetric weight ($L \times W \times H \div 6000$) — the higher figure is what gets billed on air and express.
- Confirm the consignee in Domoni can act as importer of record — Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores will not release cargo to an unregistered party.
- Plan around the China-side windows too: Chinese New Year and Golden Week both compress capacity on the Comoros lane.
- Check the de-minimis position (No practical de-minimis for commercial cargo) against your invoice value before you decide how to split the shipment.
- Declare lithium batteries, magnets, liquids and powders up front — retro-declaring after booking usually means re-planning the whole shipment.

Mode guides for Domoni

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

Frequently asked questions

How long does shipping from China to Domoni take?

China to the Comoros gateway is 7–10 business days by air, 26–36 calendar days by sea. On top of that, allow 7–15 days of clearance with Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores and a +2 days inland leg to Domoni.

What duty and tax will I pay importing into Domoni?

Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores applies: Consumption tax on imports in place of VAT; duty 0–30% depending on commodity. 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 Domoni.

Can you deliver door-to-door in Domoni?

Yes. Delivery to a Domoni address is quoted as one figure covering freight, duty and tax owed to Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores, 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.

Is sea freight cheaper than air freight into Domoni?

Per kilo, yes — usually by a wide margin. The trade-off is time: 26–36 calendar days by sea versus 7–10 business days by air to the Comoros 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.

How is the chargeable weight calculated for Domoni?

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.

Can you ship batteries or sensitive cargo to Domoni?

Yes. Battery cargo by air follows IATA PI 965–970 depending on how the cells are packed, and moves on certified channels via HAH (Moroni Prince Said Ibrahim). Surcharges apply and the declaration has to be made before booking.

Other delivery cities in Comoros

- [China to Moroni](#)
- [China to Mutsamudu](#)
- [China to Fomboni](#)

[All Comoros freight information →](#)

References & official sources

Duty rates, thresholds and conformity requirements for Comoros 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 Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores or your broker before you ship.

- [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 Comoros duty position yourself

Duty and tax figures on this page are planning estimates. The binding assessment is made by Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores 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.

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.

Watch: the process behind this route

This guide covers routing and clearance for Domoni. 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 Domoni

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 Comoros

☞ 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.

Domoni, Comoros Freight from China: Transit & Customs

Cargo from China to Domoni, Comoros clears through HAH air / Mutsamudu sea. Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores assesses duty and tax; the inland leg adds +2 days.

Get a Quote

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

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Customs clearance in Comoros

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

[Comoros clearance requirements →](#)