

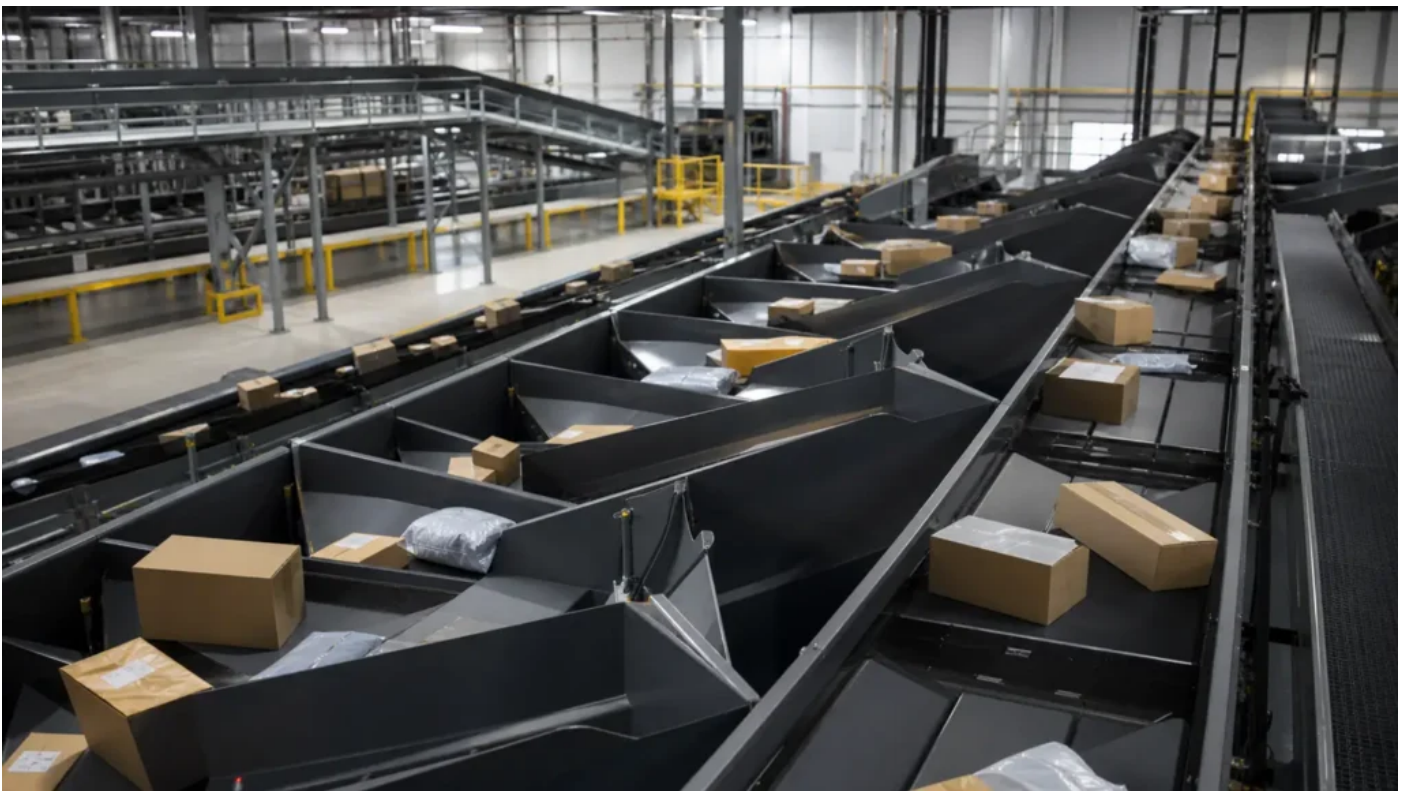
Shipping from China to Fomboni

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China → Fomboni · via HAH air / Moroni sea · clearance by Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores



Cargo handling on the China-Fomboni lane.

Freight from China into Fomboni clears through HAH air / Moroni sea. Fomboni is Moheli island administrative town, 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.

Import duty and tax position for Fomboni

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.

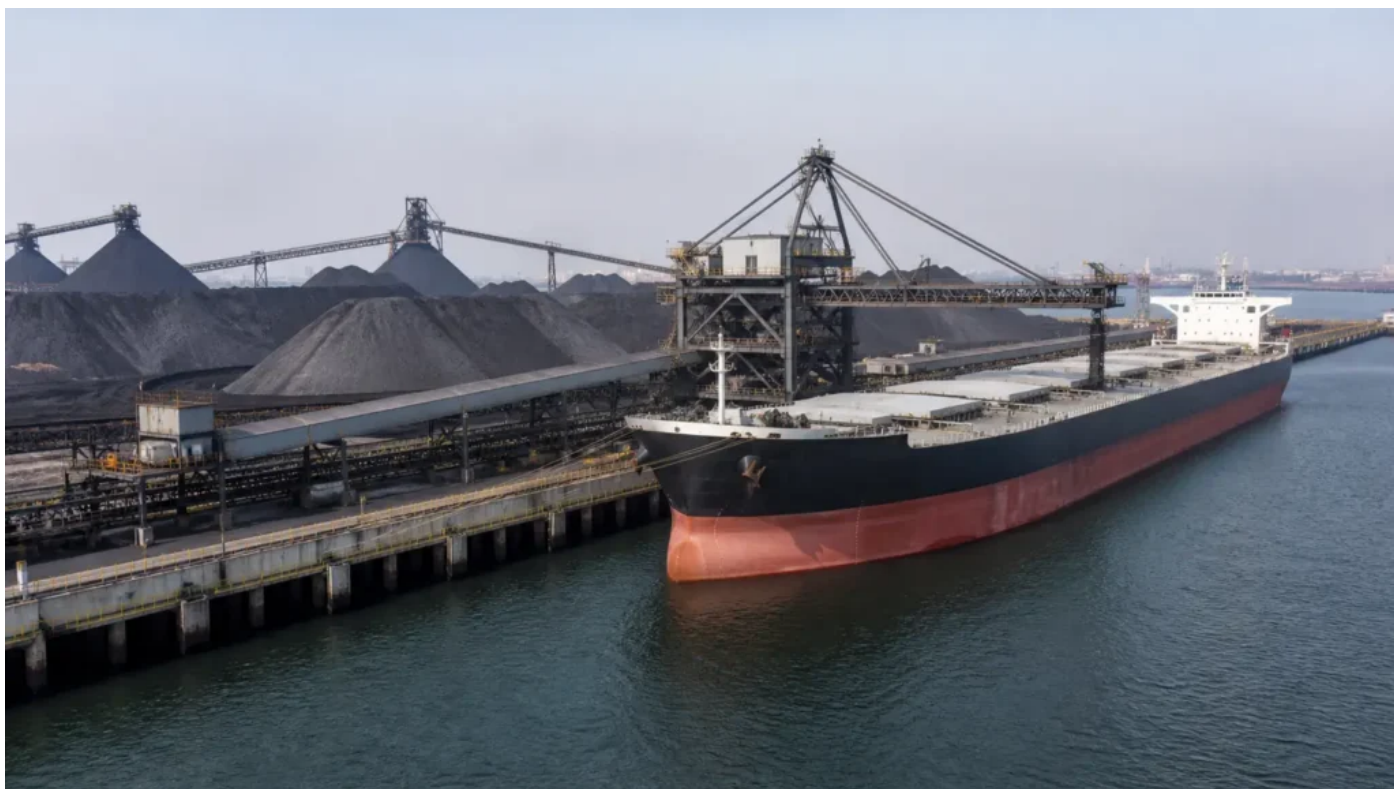
Conformity is the part most first-time importers underestimate: Import authorisation for controlled goods. Getting this wrong is expensive because it usually cannot be fixed after the cargo has landed.

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.

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 Fomboni	HAH air / Moroni sea
Inland leg to Fomboni	+2 days from the gateway
Typical clearance / dwell	7-15 days
Peak season to plan around	Sep-Nov



Handling on the HAH air / Moroni sea routing serving Fomboni.

What to sort out before the cargo leaves China

- Confirm the consignee in Fomboni can act as importer of record — Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores will not release cargo to an unregistered party.
- Ask for the HS code in writing from your supplier and verify the Comoros duty rate against it yourself.
- Book earlier than the transit time suggests during Sep–Nov, when space on this lane tightens.
- Budget for the inland leg: +2 days beyond gateway clearance to reach Fomboni.
- Check the de-minimis position (No practical de-minimis for commercial cargo) against your invoice value before you decide how to split the shipment.
- Plan around the China-side windows too: Chinese New Year and Golden Week both compress capacity on the Comoros lane.

Air, sea or overland into Fomboni?

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 Fomboni and 7–15 days of clearance.

Mode guides for Fomboni

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

Frequently asked questions

How long does shipping from China to Fomboni 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 Fomboni.

What duty and tax will I pay importing into Fomboni?

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 Fomboni.

What documents does Direction Générale des Douanes des Comores 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 (Import authorisation for controlled goods). We prepare and file these as part of the service.

Can you ship batteries or sensitive cargo to Fomboni?

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.

Which port or airport does cargo for Fomboni clear through?

Cargo for Fomboni is routed via HAH air / Moroni sea. Sea gateways for Comoros are Moroni, Mutsamudu (Anjouan); air gateways are HAH (Moroni Prince Said Ibrahim). We pick whichever gives the shortest total door time for your address.

When is the busiest time on the China–Comoros 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.

Other delivery cities in Comoros

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

[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.

- [Automotive Lighting Automotive & Vehicles](#)
- [Flooring Building Materials & Construction Products](#)
- [Cartons Wood, Bamboo & Paper Products](#)
- [Flexible Packaging Plastics, Rubber & Packaging](#)
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- [Parking Equipment Fire, Safety & Traffic Products](#)
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[All 139 industry guides →](#)

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.

If you want to sanity-check a duty figure yourself, start from the heading rather than the product name — [the WCO Harmonized System](#) is the underlying nomenclature, and [the WTO Tariff & Trade Data portal](#) holds the applied rates by country pair.

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.

On the origin side, export declaration and any commodity inspection requirement fall under [China Customs \(GACC\)](#); we handle that filing as part of the service, but the requirement is theirs, not ours.

Watch: the process behind this route

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

FCL vs LCL Shipping: When to Switch (Break-Even Point Explained) — Max Antonov. 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 Fomboni

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.

Fomboni, Comoros Freight from China: Transit & Customs

Cargo from China to Fomboni, Comoros clears through HAH air / Moroni 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 Fomboni.

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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 →](#)