

Sea Freight from China to Lautoka

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China → Lautoka · via NAN air / Lautoka sea · clearance by Fiji Revenue and Customs Service



Cargo handling on the China-Lautoka lane.

Freight from China into Lautoka clears through NAN air / Lautoka sea. Lautoka is western port and sugar industry city, and the inland leg is same-day, so the clearance date is effectively the delivery date.

On the destination side, Fiji Revenue and Customs Service handles clearance; budget 3-8 days of dwell before the cargo is released.

Import duty and tax position for Lautoka

Imports into Fiji are cleared by Fiji Revenue and Customs Service. The headline position is: VAT 15%; duty 0-32%, plus import excise on selected goods. The de-minimis threshold is FJD 400 for personal consignments.

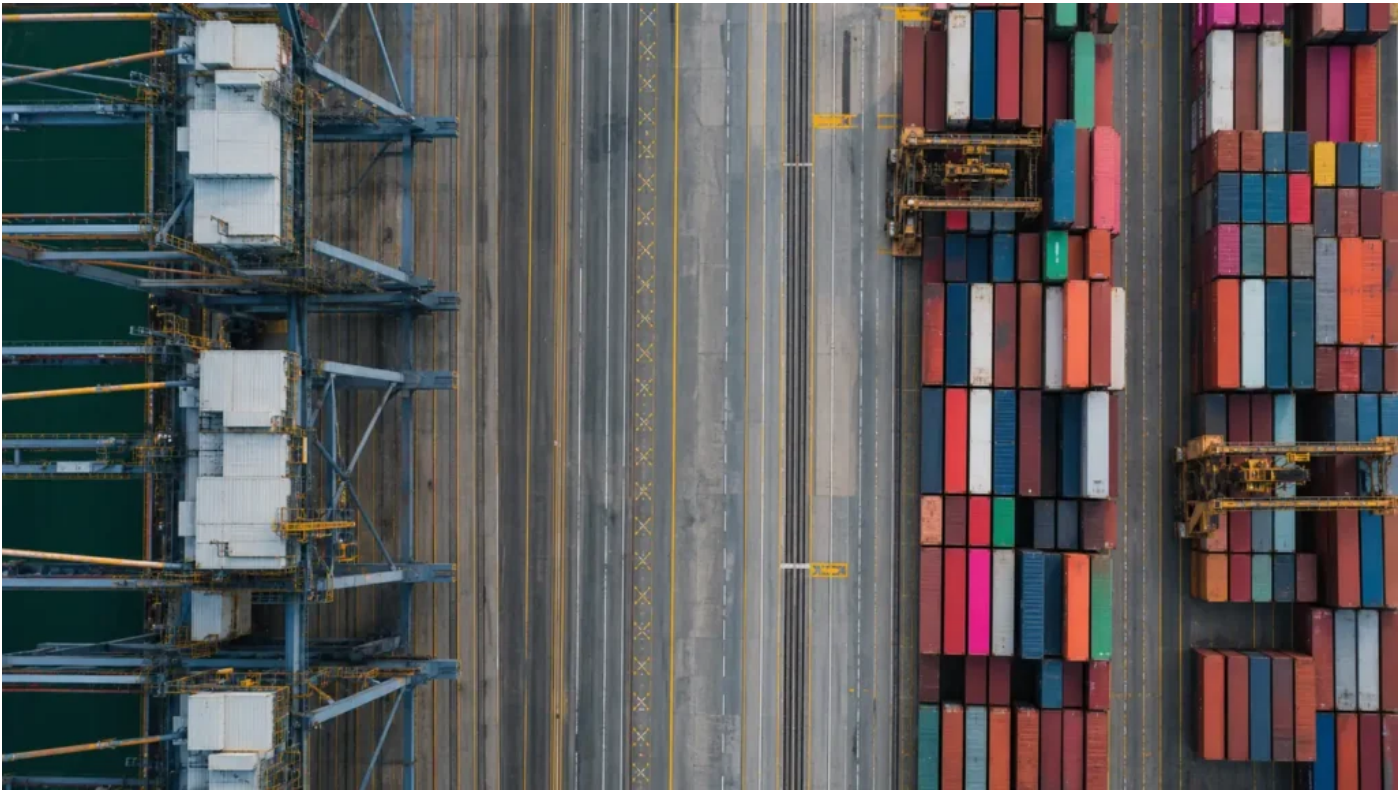
Conformity is the part most first-time importers underestimate: Biosecurity Authority of Fiji clearance; conformity for regulated goods. Getting this wrong is expensive because it usually cannot be fixed after the cargo has landed.

Restrictions and known friction points for Fiji: Biosecurity clearance is required for wood packaging and agricultural-risk goods. Onward island transshipment adds time and a separate handling cost.

Routing and transit on this lane

Fiji is the hub of the South Pacific and the transshipment point for cargo continuing to Samoa, Tonga, Vanuatu and Kiribati. Direct Asian calls exist but most volume routes via Singapore, Auckland or Brisbane. Biosecurity screening is thorough — wood packaging and any cargo with soil or plant residue is inspected.

Sea gateways used	Suva, Lautoka
Sea transit, China to gateway	18-26 calendar days
Gateway serving Lautoka	NAN air / Lautoka sea
Inland leg to Lautoka	Same day from the gateway
Typical clearance / dwell	3-8 days
Peak season to plan around	Sep-Nov



Handling on the NAN air / Lautoka sea routing serving Lautoka.

Pre-shipment checklist for Lautoka

- Get the conformity paperwork moving early: Biosecurity Authority of Fiji clearance; conformity for regulated goods.
- Check the de-minimis position (FJD 400 for personal consignments) against your invoice value before you decide how to split the shipment.
- Book earlier than the transit time suggests during Sep–Nov, when space on this lane tightens.
- Ask for the HS code in writing from your supplier and verify the Fiji duty rate against it yourself.
- Confirm the consignee in Lautoka can act as importer of record — Fiji Revenue and Customs Service will not release cargo to an unregistered party.
- 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 Lautoka take?

China to the Fiji gateway is 18–26 calendar days. On top of that, allow 3–8 days of clearance with Fiji Revenue and Customs Service and a same-day inland leg to Lautoka.

What duty and tax will I pay importing into Lautoka?

Fiji Revenue and Customs Service applies: VAT 15%; duty 0–32%, plus import excise on selected goods. The de-minimis position is FJD 400 for personal consignments. Under a DDP arrangement these are pre-paid, so nothing is collected on arrival in Lautoka.

Which port or airport does cargo for Lautoka clear through?

Cargo for Lautoka is routed via NAN air / Lautoka sea. Sea gateways for Fiji are Suva, Lautoka; air gateways are NAN (Nadi), SUV (Suva). We pick whichever gives the shortest total door time for your address.

Can you deliver door-to-door in Lautoka?

Yes. Delivery to a Lautoka address is quoted as one figure covering freight, duty and tax owed to Fiji Revenue and Customs Service, and the same-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.

What certification do I need for Fiji?

For regulated goods, plan for: Biosecurity Authority of Fiji clearance; conformity for regulated goods. Missing conformity paperwork is the single most common cause of a hold, and in most cases it cannot be remedied once the cargo has arrived.

How is the chargeable weight calculated for Lautoka?

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.

Other delivery cities in Fiji

- [China to Suva](#)

- [China to Nadi](#)
- [China to Nausori](#)
- [China to Labasa](#)

[All Fiji freight information →](#)

References & official sources

Duty rates, thresholds and conformity requirements for Fiji 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 Fiji Revenue and Customs Service or your broker before you ship.

- [Fiji Revenue and Customs Service](#)
- [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 \(DDP, DAP, FOB definitions\)](#)

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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 Fiji duty position yourself

Duty and tax figures on this page are planning estimates. The binding assessment is made by Fiji Revenue and Customs Service 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.

For a wider view of how importing into Fiji actually works — documentation norms, inspection behavior, the paperwork that tends to hold shipments — the [U.S. ITA guide to Fiji customs regulations](#) is a useful independent read alongside our own lane notes.

Watch: the process behind this route

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

Bill of Lading Explained (BOL) | Types, Components & Full Beginner Guide | Shipping Document — 10 Min For Supply Chain.

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 Lautoka

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 Fiji route page](#) →

Freight Rates to Fiji

☞ 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.

Lautoka Sea Freight, Fiji: Cost, Transit & Customs

Sea Freight to Lautoka: 18–26 calendar days in transit, cleared by Fiji Revenue and Customs Service, same 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 Lautoka.

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Customs clearance in Fiji

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

[Fiji clearance requirements →](#)

Priced routes to Fiji

- [Shanghai to Suva FCL Ocean Freight Rates | 20GP & 40HQ](#)
- [Shipping a Container from Ningbo to Suva: Cost & Transit](#)