

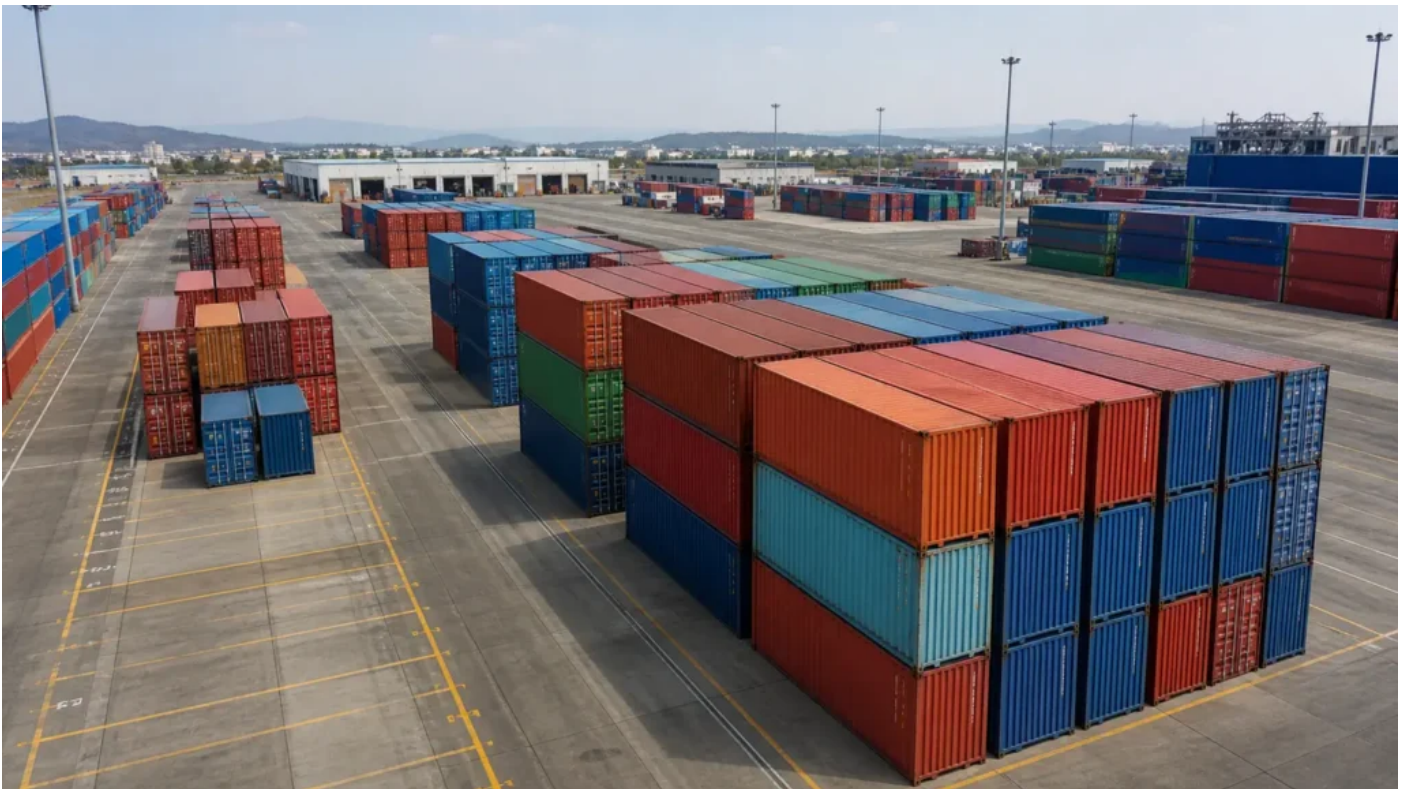
Sea Freight from China to Tegucigalpa

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China → Tegucigalpa · via TGU air / Puerto Cortes sea · clearance by Administración Aduanera de Honduras



Cargo handling on the China–Tegucigalpa lane.

Freight from China into Tegucigalpa clears through TGU air / Puerto Cortes sea. Tegucigalpa is capital and government market, and allow +1 day for the inland leg on top of clearance.

Clearance itself is handled by Administración Aduanera de Honduras, and typical dwell at the gateway runs 4–10 days.

How this lane actually runs

Puerto Cortés is the deepest and best-equipped port in Central America and clears a large share of the region's Atlantic-side volume. San Pedro Sula is the commercial center and the natural distribution base, with Tegucigalpa served by road. Asian cargo

normally transships at Panama, Cartagena or Kingston.

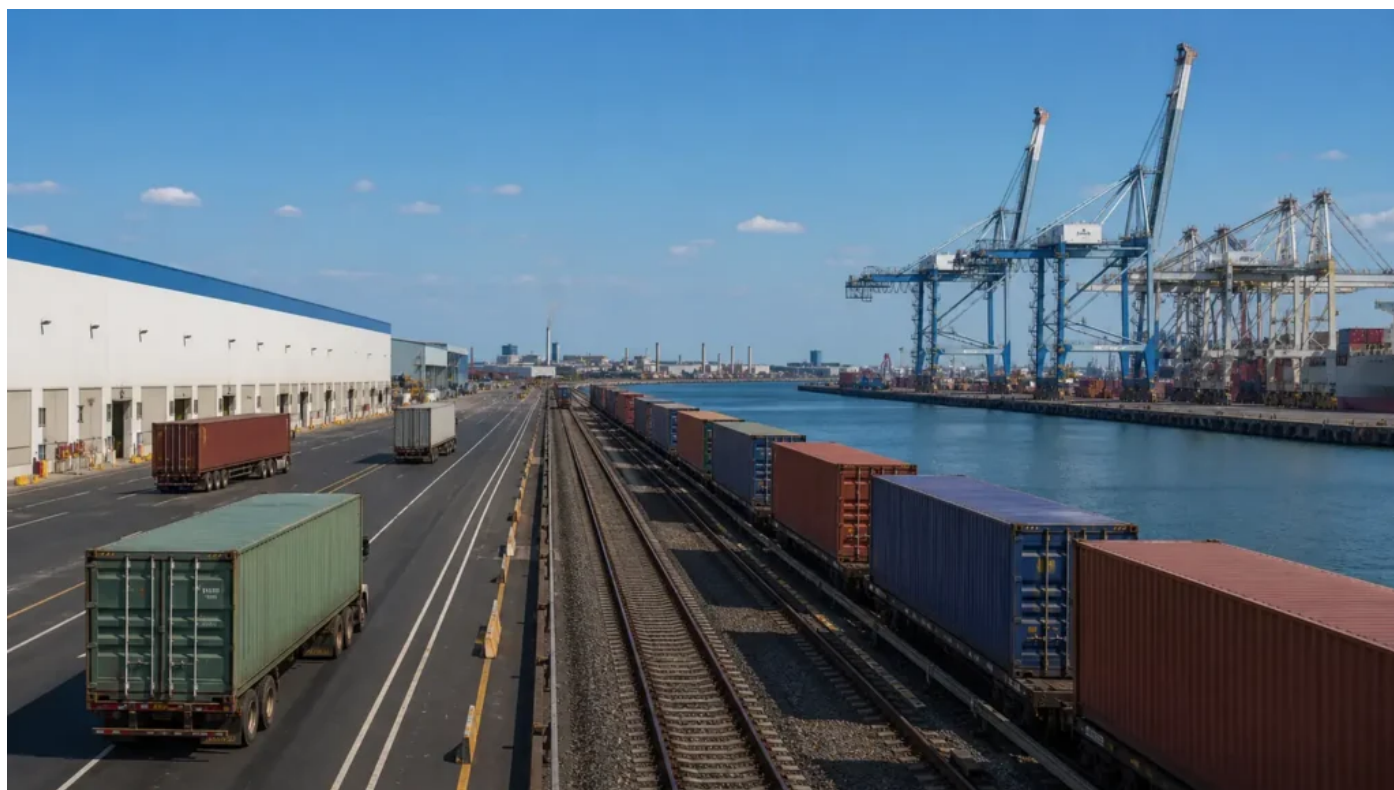
Sea gateways used	Puerto Cortés, Henecán (San Lorenzo)
Sea transit, China to gateway	26-34 calendar days
Gateway serving Tegucigalpa	TGU air / Puerto Cortes sea
Inland leg to Tegucigalpa	+1 day from the gateway
Typical clearance / dwell	4-10 days
Peak season to plan around	Sep-Nov

What you will pay on arrival in Honduras

Imports into Honduras are cleared by Administración Aduanera de Honduras. The headline position is: ISV 15%; Central American common tariff 0-15%. The de-minimis threshold is USD 100 for courier consignments.

Conformity is the part most first-time importers underestimate: Health registration for food and cosmetics; 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 Honduras: Transshipment dependency means feeder timing drives the schedule. Free-zone regimes for the apparel sector have separate duty treatment.



Handling on the TGU air / Puerto Cortes sea routing serving Tegucigalpa.

What to sort out before the cargo leaves China

- Budget for the inland leg: +1 day beyond gateway clearance to reach Tegucigalpa.
- Compare gross weight against volumetric weight ($L \times W \times H \div 6000$) — the higher figure is what gets billed on air and express.
- Ask for the HS code in writing from your supplier and verify the Honduras duty rate against it yourself.
- Photograph carton markings and seal numbers before departure — it makes any claim far easier to settle.
- Put the Tegucigalpa delivery address, contact name and phone number on the invoice, not just the packing list.
- Declare lithium batteries, magnets, liquids and powders up front — retro-declaring after booking usually means re-planning the whole shipment.

Frequently asked questions

How long does shipping from China to Tegucigalpa take?

China to the Honduras gateway is 26–34 calendar days. On top of that, allow 4–10 days of clearance with Administración Aduanera de Honduras and a +1 day inland leg to Tegucigalpa.

What duty and tax will I pay importing into Tegucigalpa?

Administración Aduanera de Honduras applies: ISV 15%; Central American common tariff 0–15%. The de-minimis position is USD 100 for courier consignments. Under a DDP arrangement these are pre-paid, so nothing is collected on arrival in Tegucigalpa.

Can you deliver door-to-door in Tegucigalpa?

Yes. Delivery to a Tegucigalpa address is quoted as one figure covering freight, duty and tax owed to Administración Aduanera de Honduras, 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.

How is the chargeable weight calculated for Tegucigalpa?

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–Honduras 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.

Which port or airport does cargo for Tegucigalpa clear through?

Cargo for Tegucigalpa is routed via TGU air / Puerto Cortes sea. Sea gateways for Honduras are Puerto Cortés, Henecán (San Lorenzo); air gateways are SAP (San Pedro Sula), TGU (Tegucigalpa). We pick whichever gives the shortest total door time for your address.

Other delivery cities in Honduras

- [China to San Pedro Sula](#)

- [China to Choloma](#)
- [China to La Ceiba](#)
- [China to Puerto Cortes](#)

[All Honduras freight information →](#)

References & official sources

Duty rates, thresholds and conformity requirements for Honduras 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 Administración Aduanera de Honduras or your broker before you ship.

- [Administración Aduanera de Honduras](#)
- [WTO — Tariff Profiles \(applied MFN duty by country\)](#)
- [IPPC — ISPM 15 wood packaging standard](#)
- [WCO — Harmonized System nomenclature](#)
- [IMO — IMDG Code for dangerous goods by sea](#)

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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.

- [Locks & Safes Fire, Safety & Traffic Products](#)
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Checking the Honduras duty position yourself

Duty and tax figures on this page are planning estimates. The binding assessment is made by Administración Aduanera de Honduras 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.

If this is your first shipment into Honduras, the [Honduras 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 Tegucigalpa. The video below covers the wider shipping process that sits around it.

How to Ship Internationally via Ocean Freight | Step-by-Step Process, Documents & Cost Explained — 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 Tegucigalpa

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 Honduras route page](#) →

Freight Rates to Honduras

☞ 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.

Tegucigalpa Sea Freight, Honduras: Cost, Transit & Customs

Sea Freight to Tegucigalpa: 26–34 calendar days in transit, cleared by Administración Aduanera de Honduras, +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 Tegucigalpa.

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Customs clearance in Honduras

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

[Honduras clearance requirements →](#)

Priced routes to Honduras

- [Ship Yantian to Puerto Cortes — FCL Container Cost from China](#)
- [Shipping a Container from Ningbo to Puerto Cortes: Cost & Transit](#)
- [Shipping a Container from Shanghai to Puerto Cortes: Cost & Transit](#)