

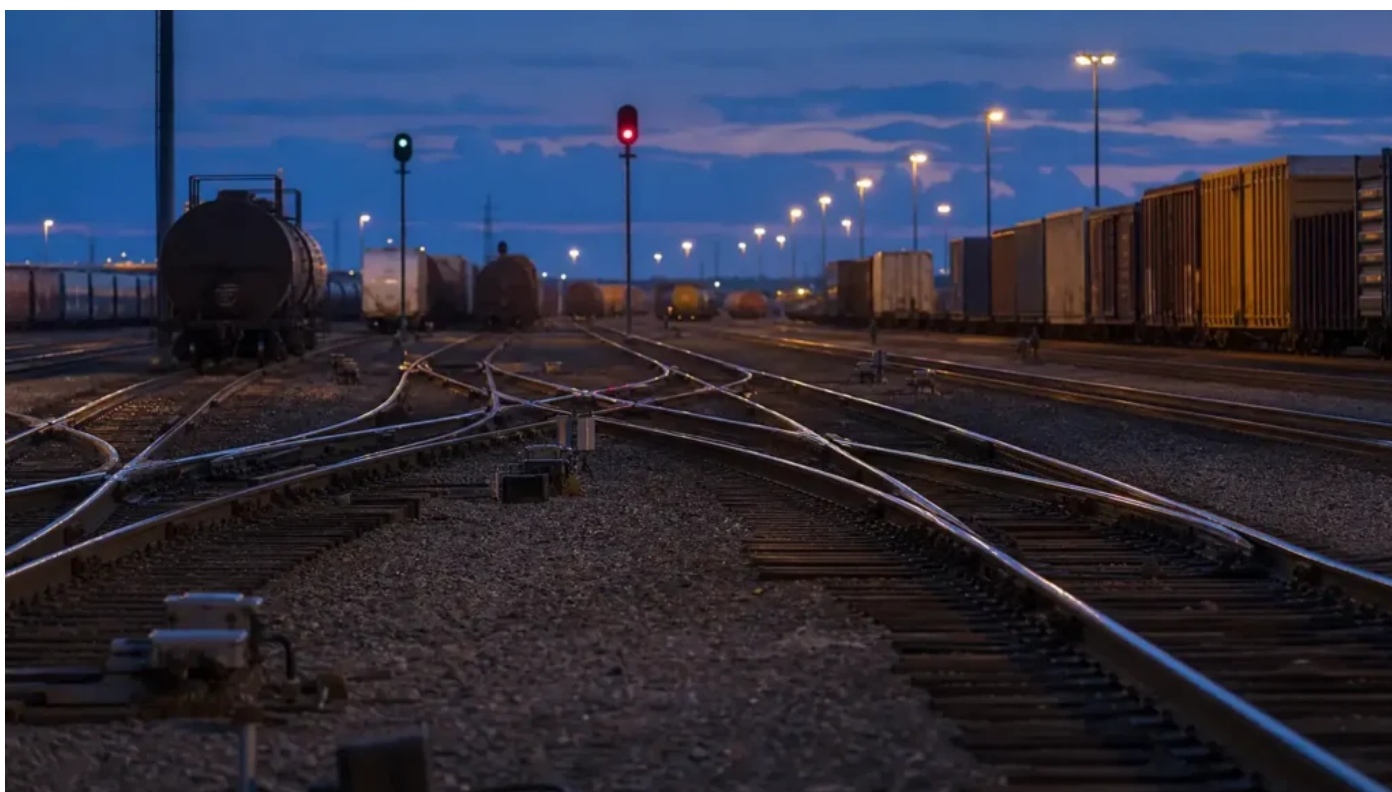
Shipping from China to Vladivostok

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China → Vladivostok · via VVO air / Vladivostok sea · clearance by Federal Customs Service of Russia (EAEU regime)



Cargo handling on the China-Vladivostok lane.

We move freight cargo from South China into Vladivostok through VVO air / Vladivostok sea. Vladivostok is Far East port and the shortest sea lane from China, which shapes the kind of cargo that moves on this lane and how it should be packed.

The clearing authority is Federal Customs Service of Russia (EAEU regime). Historical dwell on this gateway is around 3–10 days, and it lengthens in Sep–Nov.

What the routing looks like in practice

Russia is served three ways from China and the choice matters more here than anywhere else: Vladivostok by sea in under a week then rail west, direct block trains through Manzhouli or Zabaikalsk to Moscow in about 14–20 days, or the long Suez routing to St

Petersburg. Rail and Far East capacity are both frequently oversubscribed, so book earlier than the transit time alone would suggest.

Air gateways used	SVO (Moscow Sheremetyevo), DME (Moscow Domodedovo), LED (St Petersburg)
Air transit, China to gateway	2-4 business days
Sea gateways used	Vladivostok, Vostochny, Novorossiysk
Sea transit, China to gateway	Vladivostok 3-7 days; St Petersburg 40-55 days via Suez
Gateway serving Vladivostok	VVO air / Vladivostok sea
Inland leg to Vladivostok	Same day from the gateway
Typical clearance / dwell	3-10 days
Peak season to plan around	Sep-Nov

Import duty and tax position for Vladivostok

Imports into Russia are cleared by Federal Customs Service of Russia (EAEU regime). The headline position is: VAT 20%; EAEU common external tariff, typically 0-20%, plus recycling and excise levies on some categories. The de-minimis threshold is EUR 200 for personal parcels under EAEU rules.

Conformity is the part most first-time importers underestimate: EAC conformity mark valid across the Eurasian Economic Union; Russian-language labeling required. Getting this wrong is expensive because it usually cannot be fixed after the cargo has landed.

Restrictions and known friction points for Russia: Export-control and sanctions screening is essential — dual-use goods, electronics and machinery require careful classification and counterparty checks before shipment. EAC certification and Russian labeling are mandatory. Payment routing should be confirmed before booking.



Handling on the VVO air / Vladivostok sea routing serving Vladivostok.

Air, sea or overland into Vladivostok?

Mode	Transit to gateway	Best suited to
→ Air Freight	2–4 business days	time-critical, high-value and low-volume cargo
□ Sea Freight	Vladivostok 3–7 days; St Petersburg 40–55 days via Suez	volume cargo where cost per kilo matters more than speed
□ Rail Freight	Vladivostok 3–7 days; St Petersburg 40–55 days via Suez	inland destinations where sea is slow and air is expensive

Transit shown is China departure to the Russia gateway and excludes the same-day inland leg to Vladivostok and 3–10 days of clearance.

What to sort out before the cargo leaves China

- Check the de-minimis position (EUR 200 for personal parcels under EAEU rules) 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.
- Compare gross weight against volumetric weight ($L \times W \times H \div 6000$) — the higher figure is what gets billed on air and express.
- Declare lithium batteries, magnets, liquids and powders up front — retro-declaring after booking usually means re-planning the whole shipment.
- Photograph carton markings and seal numbers before departure — it makes any claim far easier to settle.

- Get the conformity paperwork moving early: EAC conformity mark valid across the Eurasian Economic Union; Russian-language labeling required.

Mode guides for Vladivostok

- [✈ Air Freight to Vladivostok](#)
- [🚢 Sea Freight to Vladivostok](#)
- [🚂 Rail Freight to Vladivostok](#)

Frequently asked questions

How long does shipping from China to Vladivostok take?

China to the Russia gateway is 2–4 business days by air, Vladivostok 3–7 days; St Petersburg 40–55 days via Suez by sea. On top of that, allow 3–10 days of clearance with Federal Customs Service of Russia (EAEU regime) and a same-day inland leg to Vladivostok.

What duty and tax will I pay importing into Vladivostok?

Federal Customs Service of Russia (EAEU regime) applies: VAT 20%; EAEU common external tariff, typically 0–20%, plus recycling and excise levies on some categories. The de-minimis position is EUR 200 for personal parcels under EAEU rules. Under a DDP arrangement these are pre-paid, so nothing is collected on arrival in Vladivostok.

What certification do I need for Russia?

For regulated goods, plan for: EAC conformity mark valid across the Eurasian Economic Union; Russian-language labeling required. 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.

When is the busiest time on the China–Russia 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.

How is the chargeable weight calculated for Vladivostok?

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.

What documents does Federal Customs Service of Russia (EAEU regime) 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 (EAC conformity mark valid across the Eurasian Economic Union; Russian-language labeling required). We prepare and file these as part of the service.

Other delivery cities in Russia

- [China to Novorossiysk](#)
- [China to Moscow](#)

- [China to St Petersburg](#)
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- [China to Yekaterinburg](#)
- [China to Kazan](#)
- [China to Krasnodar](#)
- [China to Khabarovsk](#)

[All Russia freight information →](#)

References & official sources

Duty rates, thresholds and conformity requirements for Russia 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 Federal Customs Service of Russia (EAEU regime) or your broker before you ship.

- [Federal Customs Service](#)
- [Eurasian Economic Union common tariff](#)
- [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.

- [Conveyor Belts Plastics, Rubber & Packaging](#)
- [Electronic Components Electronic Components & Semiconductors](#)
- [Computer Hardware Telecom, Computing & Data Centre](#)
- [Kitchen Appliances Home Appliances, HVAC & Commercial](#)
- [Home Decor Furniture & Home Products](#)
- [Technical Textiles Textiles, Apparel, Footwear & Leather](#)
- [Wigs & Hair Products Textiles, Apparel, Footwear & Leather](#)
- [Fire Alarm Equipment Fire, Safety & Traffic Products](#)
- [Restaurant Furniture Retail, Display & Commercial Fixtures](#)
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- [Gifts Consumer Goods & Gifts](#)
- [Amazon FBA E-commerce & Retail Channels](#)

[All 139 industry guides →](#)

Checking the Russia duty position yourself

Duty and tax figures on this page are planning estimates. The binding assessment is made by Federal Customs Service of Russia (EAEU regime) 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.

If this is your first shipment into Russia, the [Russia 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 Vladivostok. 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 Vladivostok

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 Russia route page →](#)

Freight Rates to Russia

📦 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.

Vladivostok, Russia Import Freight: Gateway, Duty & Time

What it takes to land cargo in Vladivostok, Russia — VVO air / Vladivostok sea gateway, Federal Customs Service of Russia (EAEU regime) clearance, same day onward. Sea and air both covered.

Get a Quote

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

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- [Shipping to Moldova](#)
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Route Page

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- [All freight destinations →](#)

Customs clearance in Russia

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

[Russia clearance requirements →](#)

Priced routes to Russia

- [Ningbo to Novorossiysk FCL Ocean Freight Rates | 20GP & 40HQ](#)
- [Ship Shanghai to Novorossiysk — FCL Container Cost from China](#)