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SEA AND AIR FREIGHT SERVICES FROM CHINA TO SAUDI ARABIA

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WHAT IS THE BEST & CHEAPEST V SHIP GOODS TO SAUDI ARAB



If you're about to import or export goods between China and Saudi Arabia, then you landed will be your guide where all the procedures are well explained.

Saudi Arabia is the largest economy in the Middle East and the richest Arab country in the r goods from China to Saudi Arabia has become an active field in the Kingdom of Saudi Arab the strong relationship between the two countries, at various levels, as China is Saudi Arabia in the Arab region.

SINO Shipping is your ideal freight forwarding partner to link the two countries and ship your

We offer you different ways such as free freight quotations or free online books, to find for you freights from any city in China to Saudi Arabia. Adding to our decades of experience on the several hours were spent to study this topic to answer any question or doubt you may have will help you to get started if you are a beginner in import and export field or help you to improve and be more diversified.

In this guide we will detail all the elements about the goods shipment and cargos, along with shipping freight: sea FCL, sea LCL, air or express. Also, we will provide you with freight cost kind of transport and for each mode of shipment.

We are going to try to clarify all procedures about the shipping from China to Saudi Arabia to prevent you from contacting us (<http://info@sino-shipping.com>) for further information.

Here is a summary of what we are going to deal with:

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DUTIES AND TAXES IN SAUDI ARABIA

In Saudi Arabia, the Customs duties and import taxes average is about 4.85%.

Only Saudi companies, 100% owned by Saudis, can import. **Importers will need to obtain Department of Commerce and Industry** and then consult with the relevant Ministry, depending on the goods to be imported.

CUSTOMS CLEARANCE

What do I owe in customs duties and taxes when sailing China to Saudi Arabia?

You will be required to pay customs duty and GST when importing from China to Saudi Arabia before your products are published into the nation. Those costs may be substantial. Investigating your expenses early can prevent you from getting caught by accident.

How does the Customs Process work?

At the point when products land at port, traditions authorities will initially check all the doc afterward figure the measure of obligations owed and gather installment. After installment discharged.

To deal with the flexibility of customs, you can get your own representative or use the financial freight forwarder. If, by chance, you opt for Sino-Shipping, you can also use our financial ad

Importers must start clearing procedures by submitting the required documents and creat declaration at least 48 hours before the shipment arrives at the port.

IMPORT CONDITIONS

There are a number of simple conditions that must be met for goods to be imported from Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as follows:

- Possession of a valid commercial record provided that the activity shown is identical to the
- Make sure to get your own customs code, and this is easy to get when you submit your con customs authority.
- The original document of origin of the goods, provided they are certified by the Chamber of country from which they are received.
- An import invoice documented by the Ministry of Commerce of the country the goods are fi
- A document stating that the incoming shipment conforms to Saudi or international specific

- The presence of labels on goods that cannot be removed indicating the country of origin or
- The expiry date of the commodity to comply with Saudi standards.
- The imported medical goods must be registered with the Ministry of Health.
- As for the visual, audio or printed publications, customs send samples from them to the Mii and Culture to ensure that they do not violate intellectual property rights.
- As for animals and plants, they are subject to tests by the Ministry of Agriculture to ensure health standards.

IMPORT PROCEDURES

- Determining the required quantities of the targeted commodities.
- Transport the goods to the specified port in the country of origin in preparation for shipmen
- Shipping goods to the agreed Saudi port.
- Customs clearance of the shipment after submission of documents and payment of financi
- Receipt of the shipment and depositing it in warehouses in preparation for distribution.

NB: You must declare in full transparency what was actually paid to you from the Chinese s the required documents correctly and not forged or tampered with, all this will avoid you lo result of legal sanctions.

For more information you can check the Saudian customs website (<https://www.customs.gov.sa/>)

NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

When delivery cargo from China to Saudi Arabia, make a point to get all the documents rec goods into Saudi Arabia.

- **Certificate of origin** authenticated with a local chamber of commerce and translated into A where the goods were manufactured. The CO it's the ID of your goods.
- **Saudi Customs Invoice** (in triplicate) – required for the majority of imports entering Saudi A

low monetary value).

- **bill of lading:** An authenticated document (in triplicate), clearly indicating the country of origin, the carrier, the make and number of goods, and a clear description of the goods, including weight.
- **Commercial invoice :** it's a descriptive invoice that describes all the goods and contains HS code.
- **Packing List:** It should detail the HS code of the goods you're transferring.
- **Insurance documents** if the imports are forwarded. Original documents must be accompanied by a translation.
- **SASO (Saudi Arabian Standards Organisation) Certificate of Conformity,** issued by an approved authority in the country of origin.

SASO sample

شهادة مطابقة للملح والمنتجات المستندة إلى المملكة العربية السعودية

Certificate No.: رقم الشهادة:
Date of issue: تاريخ إصدار الشهادة:

We, XXXX, testify that the goods with details stated below have been subjected to laboratory tests, as applicable, and proven to be in compliance with the below mentioned approved standards and/or directives and/or technical specifications in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
نحن، XXXX، نشهد بأن السلع المذكورة بياناتها أدناه تم إخضاعها للفحص المخبري واتضح أنها مطابقة لتوائح الفنية وأياً للمواصفات القياسية المعمدة في المملكة العربية السعودية والمشار إليها أدناه.

Importer (Name and Address): SAUDI IMPORTER DESCRIPTION	اسم وعنوان المستورد:	Exporter (Name and Address): ROSSI	اسم وعنوان المصدر:
Manufacturer (Name and Address): ROSSI	اسم وعنوان المصنع:	Invoice No. & date: 1234 of 20/10/2018	رقم الفاتورة وتاريخها:
Port of loading: La Spezia - Italy	ميناء الشحن:	Port of arrival: Jeddah - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	ميناء الوصول:
Means of shipment: Sea	وسيلة الشحن:	Country of origin: Italy	بلد المنشأ:

Item No. رقم الصنف	Item name & description اسم الصنف ووصفه	Package التعبئة	Quantity الكمية	Dir. or Standard / Technical Specification No. / العدد القياسي / المواصفة التقنية / رقم المواصفة
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Remarks: COO NR. XXXXXXXX
ملاحظات: Work/Business License or registration importer: 012345678
Work/Business License or registration exporter: 012334

Name: اسم المفوض بالتوقيع Date: التاريخ
Title: التوقيع الرسمي Order No.: 2810XXXX-00 رقم الطلب
Signature: التوقيع المعتمد Official stamp: الختم الرسمي
Country Office: المكتب المصدر

All these documents will have to be stamped by the following organizations: The Chamber of Commerce of the exporting country; The "bilateral" chamber of commerce; The Saudi Arabian Chamber of Commerce of the exporting country.

NOTA BENE:

-For fruit, vegetables and seeds, a phytosanitary certificate is required.

-For meat, a health certificate is required, to be provided by the veterinary services of the exporting country as well as a slaughter certificate indicating that it has been slaughtered according to Islamic rite by the Islamic competent authority of the exporting country.

These documents must be signed either by the Chamber of Commerce or by the Ministry of Commerce.

PROHIBITED & RESTRICTED ITEMS

Drug contraband



Explosives



Biohazard



Chemicals



Corrosive



Ivory



Batteries



Flammable



Firearms



Drugs



Poison



Pornography



Knife



Tobacco



Gambling



SEA FREIGHT TO SAUDI ARABIA

Saudi Arabia is the 20th largest exporter of goods and the 32nd largest import market in the world, which accounts for 67% of its GDP (2019). Petroleum products account for a large majority of its exports (67% of exports in 2018).

In 2019, Saudi Arabia's exports reached \$170 billion and its imports \$96.2 billion; Its main customers are China with \$29.1 billion i.e. 3.3% of exports, Japan (\$25 billion), and India (\$19.4 billion).

Leading its main suppliers are China (\$18.3 billion- 16.5% of imports), the United States (\$7.6 billion), and Germany (\$7.19 billion).

The import and export procedures are easy and well organized, in addition to the abundant shipping routes and ports.

Maritime transport contributes about 59.5% of the total Saudi imports, followed by air transport with 35.5% followed by land transport with 15.7%.

MAJORS PORTS

Most ports serve several categories of ships, including bulk carriers, bulk cargo (goods loaded in bags, boxes, crates or drums, sometimes palletized), containers, roll-on/roll-off and passenger ships.

The Kingdom has ten ports, four of which overlook the coast of the Persian Gulf and six on the Red Sea through which 13% of the volume of world trade passes, and is directly linked to all the economic and commercial activities established in all the regions and cities of the Kingdom.

SAUDI ARABIA'S MAIN RED SEA PORTS

- **JEDDAH**

Jeddah is the second largest city in Saudi Arabia and a major trading centre, located on the west coast of the Red Sea.

On the maritime level, the port of Jeddah is the most important Saudi port and one of the most important in the world, where goods from the West transit to the interior of the country. The city was a staging post for trade between the West and India.

75% of the merchandise entering the country by sea transits through the port of Jeddah, making it the most important port in the country with a capacity of 130 million tons, or 39 ships at the same time.

- **Jazan**

The port of Jazan is characterized by its location close to eastern and western maritime trade routes between Europe and the Far East, the Persian Gulf and East Africa. The city of Jazan is connected to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia with a modern road network that enables it to serve the southern Kingdom. The port of Jazan is a modern port with modern facilities. The port also has eight locomotives and service vessels.

- **King Fahd Industrial Port in Yanbu**

It is a port located in Yanbu governorate on the Red Sea coast, and is considered the largest port for the export of crude oil, refined products and petrochemicals on the Red Sea, and is dedicated to serving the needs of the region in addition to exporting crude oil and its refined derivatives as well as petrochemicals to international markets. The port was built specifically to serve industrial port requirements.

It's on the line between America and Europe that mediates through the Suez Canal and the Far East via the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden.

- **Yanbu Commercial Port**

It's one of the oldest ports overlooking the Red Sea, it is located on the east coast about 460 km from the Suez Canal and 168 nautical miles northwest of the Islamic port of Jeddah.

In order to transfer trade to and from economically promising areas throughout the country, a modern network of land routes that mainly connects the regions of Madinah and Makkah has been developed, making it the most important strategic seaport in these regions.

In 2018, the number of cargoes handled at the port increased by 45% compared to the previous year (2.5 million tonnes compared to 2.8 million tonnes).

- **Port de Duba**

It is located in the city of Dubai, in the Tabuk region, northwest of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, serving as a link between the northwestern region of the Kingdom and the global economy.

The port contains geographical elements that support it in attracting goods destined for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the countries of the Gulf Cooperation Council and Iraq, with an end of the northern Red Sea coast.

The port of Duba is the closest Saudi port to Egyptian ports overlooking the Red Sea. It is also a port to the Suez Canal, and therefore the closest to the countries of the Mediterranean basin region on international trade lines.

THE MAIN SAUDI ARABIAN PORTS IN THE PERSIAN GULF

- **Port du roi Abdelaziz : Dammam**

Located on the Persian Gulf, founded in the late 1940s, it is the second largest Saudi port after the port of King Abdulaziz in Dammam is considered the main port of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. It is the main port where goods from all over the world are shipped to the eastern and central Kingdom.

The port as a whole covers 193 million square meters and is connected by several highways to the dry port of Riyadh. It's an important center at the national, regional and international level for cargo handling to serve importers and exporters. It provides them with modern logistic services in the field of the shipping industry.

- **The port of Ras Al-Khair**

Works started for its creation in 2008 so the port is the last industrial port in Saudi Arabia in its new industrial zone of diversified production.

It is a Saudi industrial port located in the city of Ras Al-Khair in eastern Saudi Arabia, on the Gulf, about 80 km from the Saudi industrial city of Jubail.

The port is considered as one of the pillars of the Saudi economy to supply vital programme implemented by the public and private sectors in the industrial zone of Ras Al Khair.

- **The King Fahd Industrial Port**

The King Fahd Industrial Port is located in Jubail, in the east of the Kingdom, on the west cc Gulf, next to the industrial city of Jubail, and 90 km northwest of Dammam.it has 34 berths.

It was established in 1974 to import raw materials required by local industries and industrial petrochemicals and refined petroleum products.

- **The commercial port of Jubail**

It was established in 1977 – and all its facilities were completed in 1980 on an area of about 4 metres, making it one of the largest projects of its kind;

It is located on the east coast of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, overlooking the Persian Gulf, the city of Dammam.

The port has 16 berths: 8 berths for general cargo handling; 4 berths for bulk cargo handling container handling. It has equipment and a fleet of warships, such as towing locomotives, g mooring boats, which makes it permanently ready to perform manoeuvres to berth and lea

weather conditions in a safe and without delay.

SEA FREIGHT TRANSIT TIMES

How long does it take to sail from China to Saudi Arabia? Your shipment transit time will de cargo size and season. Here is a table of delivery time estimates:

	Port to Port	Door to Door
Sea Freight (FCL)	13-25 days	22-26 days
Sea Freight (LCL)	16-28 days	23-28 days

SEA FREIGHT RATES

Sea freight allows you to ship huge quantities of items at very competitive costs with reasor the best deal for regular shipments.

- **Average price for an FCL container from China- Saudi Arabia (high season): \$1,500**

Container freight rates from China to Saudi Arabia: 20' container

	Shipping from Xin gang (CNXIP Port)	Shipping from (CNDLC Pc
Shipping to Dammam (SADMN Port)	952\$	952\$
Shipping to Jubail (SAJUB Port)	1,130\$	1,130\$

*The quotations (estimates) are daily shipping rates for port-to-port high season FCL.

Container freight rates from China to Saudi Arabia: 40' container

	Shipping from Xin gang (CNXIP Port)	Shipping from (CNDLC Port)
Shipping to Dammam (SADMN Port)	1,350\$	1,170\$
Shipping to Jubail (SAJUB Port)	1,450\$	1,250\$

*The quotations are daily shipping rates for port-to-port high season FCL.

- **Average price for sea LCL: \$100**

Example: Freight Rates from Chongqing to Jubail: LCL

Shipping to Jubail (SAJUB Port)

Shipping from

AIR FREIGHT TO SAUDI ARABIA

Generally, air shipping is quicker but more costly than sea shipping.

MAJOR PORTS

- **KING KHALID INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (RUH)**

King Khalid International Airport is located 35 kilometres (22 mi) north of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, designed in 1983.

The airport occupies an area of approximately 225 square kilometres and includes terminals, control tower and the airfield with two parallel runways, each 4,200 metres (13,800 ft.) long, air cargo building, the post office, the private aviation building, ground crossings, aircraft parking and shopping centre.

The airport is the gateway to the capital of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and is the centre of transport. It was built to meet international and local air transport requirements for the Riyadh region.

- **KING ABDULAZIZ INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (KAIA)**

King Abdulaziz International Airport (KAIA) is an airport facility located 19 km north of Jeddah. Named after King Abdulaziz Al Saud, the airport is the third largest airport facility in Saudi Arabia.

The airport occupies an area of 15 square kilometres. This area includes not only the airport terminal, Royal Saudi Air Force facilities and accommodation facilities for airport staff.

- **KING FAHD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (KFIA)**

It is located 25 kilometres northwest of Dammam, Saudi Arabia. It is the largest airport in the region by surface area (780 km²), even larger than the neighbour country of Bahrain.

The General Civil Aviation Authority of Saudi Arabia finally opened the new *Dammam King Abdulaziz International Airport* on 28 November 1999 to commercial traffic, and all airlines have transferred their operations from Dhahran Airport, which was used until then.

The new Dammam Airport serves the entire eastern region of Saudi Arabia.

• **PRINCE MOHAMMAD BIN ABDULAZIZ INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

Prince Mohammad Bin Abdulaziz International Airport is a regional airport located in the w Madinah. It is the fourth busiest airport in Saudi Arabia, with 1 million passengers yearly, incl passengers to the Hajj. It operates an average of 20 to 25 flights per day.

It is the main hub and operations center for **Saudi Arabian Airlines**. It is also considered th

Saudi Airlines Cargo Saudi Cargo is one of the **leading companies** with its weight in the **market. It** operates direct flights from China to Saudi Arabia in order to meet the growing operations and to boost commercial traffic to and from the Asian continent.

AIR FREIGHT TRANSIT TIMES

When you have a little shipment and need it conveyed as fast as to be expected, you should

	Port to Port	Door to Door
Air Freight	3- 6 days	6 -12 days
Express*	—	1- 4 days

* Express freight is always door to door

AIR FREIGHT RATES

The air freight's cost is based on the heavier weight value between the gross weight and th
The Average price for air freight from China to Saudi Arabia is about **\$500** and for **express**

Shipping rates from Shanghai to Dammam

Shipping from Shanghai (PVG Airport)

Shipping to Dammam (DMM airport)

436\$

CHEAPEST TIMES TO SHIP FROM C TO SAUDI ARABIA

Seasonal factors affect freight costs, in particular the FCL sea freight and air freight levels. F account high season in both China and Saudi Arabia while moving shipping.

Peak seasons for shipping from China to Saudi Arabia

Event	Outcome on Shipping
Chinese New Year	For several weeks of festivities, the industries and services remained shut and delays
Golden Week	This week-long fest worsens price increases and disruptions in holiday p
Dragon Boat Festival	Companies generally close for three days, which could cause major dela
Holiday Shopping Season	Prices will rise slowly throughout a period of months, as industries prep

FREIGHT INSURANCE

Should I get insurance for shipping to Saudi Arabia from China?

When calculating your shipping costs, don't forget to protect yourself in case your goods are stolen, damaged or lost in transit. you can do this through your freight forwarder.

Sino Shipping Provides you with tailored commercial insurance that allows the buyer to recover the value of your merchandise is stolen, damaged or lost in transit.

Generally, and Depending on the type of items, the insurance costs are about **1 to 3%** of your Commercial Invoice Price i.e. the **shipment + transport value** you should pay for the

RECCURENT QUESTIONS

• WHERE YOU CAN GET THE CHEAPEST AND BEST APPROACH SHIPMENT

When carrying from China to Saudi Arabia, you can select any of the four modes: LCL maritime freight, air freight or express freight.

• WHAT IS THE SHIPPING COST FROM CHINA TO SAUDI ARABIA?

LCL: 70 USD /cbm

FCL: 1,600 USD/20': 2,000 USD/40'

Express shipping door to door (10kg): 600 USD

• HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO SHIP FROM CHINA TO SAUDI ARABIA?

Average transit time by sea: 10 days

Average transit time by airfreight: 5 days (daily direct flight)

Express shipping door to door (10kg): 2 days

• WHAT ARE THE BEST FREIGHT OPTIONS TO SEND GOOD FROM CHINA TO SAUDI ARABIA?

There are only 2 options, by sea or by air, it depends on how big the volume and the weight decide which shipping methods is more adequate. You must calculate the ration time/cost.

• HOW INCOTERMS INFLUENCE SHIPMENT COSTS FROM CHINA TO SAUDI ARABIA?

For instance, in case you're sailing from Shanghai, China to Jubail in Saudi Arabia, you're going to need some information about the price distinction between transportation from the provider's d... Shanghai meaning adopting EXW incoterm and transporting from the Shanghai port (CNS... adopting FOB incoterm.

FOB prices are usually cheaper, but FOB delivery doesn't necessarily mean that your overall reasonable. Paying your distributor to carry your products to port may make up the cost.

Remember that several incoterms are only used for shipping by sea, like FOB. *Learn all about (https://www.sino-shipping.com/international-regulation/incoterms/)*

• WHAT DO I OWE IN CUSTOMS DUTIES AND TAXES WHEN SAILING SAUDI ARABIA?

You will be required to pay customs duty and GST when importing from China to Saudi Arabia. If your products are published into the nation. Those costs may be substantial. Investigating your options can prevent you from getting caught by accident

• WHAT KIND OF DOCUMENTATION WILL I HAVE TO SEND TO SAUDI ARABIA FROM CHINA?

When delivery cargo from China to Saudi Arabia, make a point to get all your administrative documents together: the Commercial Invoice and Bill of Lading, all together.

• HOW CAN I REDUCE COSTS AND SHIPPING TIME FROM CHINA- SAUDI ARABIA?

o Plan Forward. Sea transport is the fastest, but it requires longest time as well. If you can see it in advance– and reduces the pressure if delays appear.

o Offpeak Ship. When shippers get preoccupied, the shipping rates along with the transit times are everywhere you can in low season.

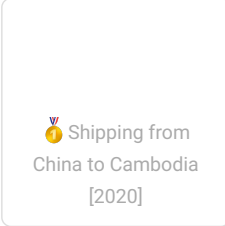
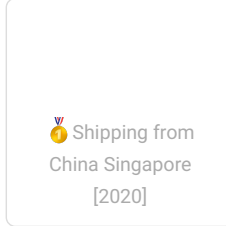
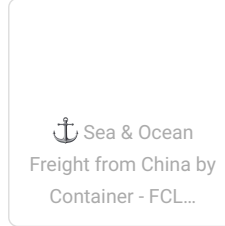
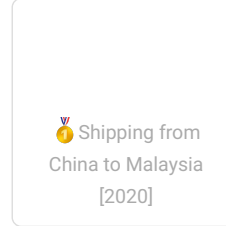
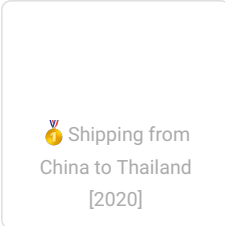
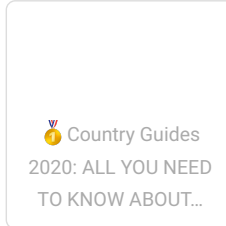
o Get the documentation right. When it comes to quick customs clearing, having your paperwork make all the difference.

o Know the Codes for HS. Most shippers are shocked about how many customs duties can incur expenses. Do your analysis, in order to make a viable budget.

o Think about statements from various suppliers. Statements can shift, so look at offers from suppliers before settling on a choice.

o Comprehend what's remembered for your statement. Is your statement port to port or door to door? What administration does it incorporate? Comprehend what you're paying for to abstain from shock expenses.

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