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WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO SHIP GOODS FROM CHINA TO JAPAN ?

Because China and Japan are the **biggest economies in Asia**, trade flows between the two countries have become very important. As a freight forwarder in China, a big part of our clientele is composed of Japanese importers. Basing ourselves on our decade of experience between the two countries, we observed that **the same questions are regularly asked to us**, on the customs clearance procedures, the most appropriate freight method...

We decided it will be a great solution to build a dedicated article on the topic. No matter of the quantity, the category and the volume of the products you want to transfer, this article will probably **answer most of the questions you're asking yourself**. Without regarding your experience in trades between the two countries, you will surely find new information helping you to start your import process or put it on the next level. We also putted **several links and interesting advises** that will help you avoid mistakes.

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You can directly reach us, if you want to start your trade process asap. Our sea and air freight container (FCL) or less than a container (LCL), for normal, hazardous or perishable products with SINO Shipping.

In a first part we will talk about **the two freight methods linking China to Japan**, sea and **process and the trade relations** between the two Asian giants.

OUR CUSTOMS BROKER INFO

CUSTOMS CLEARANCE I

CAN I BE EXEMPTED OF DUTIES AND TAXES WHEN I IMPORT FROM CHINA TO JAPAN ?

As there isn't any Free Trade Agreement (FTA) between both countries, and that the China is **almost impossible** for you to benefit of a duties and taxes exemption. This is resulting in **clearing steps**. Our great experience with customs in Asia is enabling us to take the **pre-clearance** of your goods.

NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

IMPORT PERMIT IN JAPAN

The whole clearance process is **starting when your goods are entering the territory** of Japan is complete. Then you will present yourself to the **Director-General of Customs**, with the **import declaration** must detail the **precise value and quantity** of the items you're importing while your goods are already held in the customs warehouse. Also, the import declaration must

THE CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (CO)

As you imagined, the CO is the official document certifying of the origin of your goods. It is **produced in a particular area** of China. A **notary public or a government** must issue this

THE BILL OF LADING (BL) OR AIRWAY BILL

After the Certificate of Origin, the Bill of Lading is the second most important document for you about your goods, while **the BL is giving information about the cargo**. It is also **testifying** forwarder to the carrier. A **Letter of Credit (LC)** will be issued after. The Airway Bill and the other issued for an Air freight and the other for an Ocean Freight.

This example is detailing you what information a BL is providing:

- 1** = Shipper
- 2** = Consignee
- 3** = Notify party
- 4** = Vessel No.

5 = Port of loading / discharge

6 = Place of receipt / delivery

7 = Containers No.

8 = Goods description

9 = Net weight

10 = Dimensions / volume

OTHER DOCUMENTS

- The Licenses, Certificates... (if any)
- The customs duty payment slips
- The Insurance certificate (if any)
- The commercial invoice
- The packing lists

DUTIES AND TAXES IN JAPAN

Like most of the countries in the world, Japan is working with the **Harmonized System (HS combination of words and numbers)** used worldwide as a standardization scheme. All the code.

The picture below is explaining the logic construction and the inform

SINO Info: The first step that you must accomplish, is to determine the corresponding find it using this valuable website: Find HS code. (<http://www.findhs.codes/>)

You have the necessary information now to see what tariff barriers are applicable to your goods customs (http://www.customs.go.jp/english/tariff/2018_4/index.htm) to know it.

You will normally find this result for pineapple :

Info SINO: More information is available on the The Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) website (<https://www.mofa.go.jp/policy/economy/fta/index.html>), and the Japan Customs website (https://www.customs.go.jp/english/answer_e/customsanswer_e.htm) websites. You still have a doubt ? Fill our online form

48h !

Contact us (<https://www.sino-shipping.com/>)

CUSTOMS CONTACT IN CHINA

Official name: General Administration of Customs of China

Official Website: Chinese Customs Website
(<http://english.customs.gov.cn/>)

CUSTOMS CONTACT IN JAPAN

Official name: Japan Customs

Official Website: Japanese Customs website
(<http://www.customs.go.jp/english/>)

When your products have been **designated as a “general cargo”**, you will be notified by email. If your import declaration is not complete electronically, you must submit a declaration form above to the corresponding customs office. **your goods.**

Here is below the customs contact information.

TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND JAPAN

A LONG TIME COMMON HISTORY, WITH RECENT CHANGES

Historically, China and Japan have been more **rivals or enemies** than partners through time, but both are now showing efforts to get rid of their common past and establish **cordial diplomatic and economic relations**. In the past, when China claimed property of several territories, the two countries multiplied the meetings and negotiations.

Recent statistics are showing that Japan is the **second biggest trading partners of China**; the value of the goods and products exported from China were **destined to the Japanese market**.

In the other way, China is **the first import partner and the second export partner of Japan**. When goods from Japan reached the Chinese market, **representing 114 billion of USD in value**.

This great numbers will only keep rising, if **the China-Korea-Japan FTA** is finally established.

To resume, despite a difficult common past, both countries are moving forward to better relations. Even if a trade agreement is in negotiation between both parties for more than 15 years before 2020. Although no shared trade policy is existing between the two countries, but they are moving towards each other. It will take the needed time, but both countries are on the way to be partners. All this is explaining why trading between the countries will be gainful for you. Our expertise and our great network between the two countries can help you avoid mistakes. For more details about prices, timing, customs, or any other topic, contact one of our dedicated staff.

OUR CUSTOMS BROKER INFORMATION

PROHIBITED & RESTRICTED ITEMS

Remark SINO : If you have one of the following item, you should check directly with our customs broker. Even if an item is not even totally prohibited, it is important to anticipate such shipment to avoid any problem.

Drug Contraband	Explosives	Biohazard	Chemical
Ivory	Batteries	Flammable	Firearm
Poison	Pornography	Knife	Tobacco

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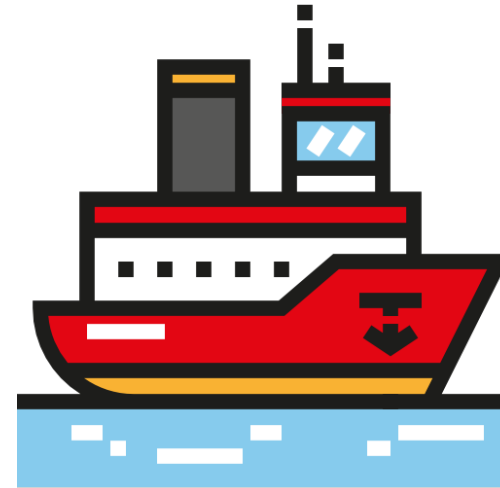
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1. SEA FREIGHT

Remark SINO : Ocean freight between China and Japan is the most popular method. If you're interested to know more about this method, please contact one of our **SINO Sea Experts**. Fill our contact form or read our article on the topic: Sea Freight China to Japan.

FROM/TO JAPAN



Ocean freight will be the best deal for you if :

- Your suppliers are **located near a major Chinese port**
- Your goods are **bigger than 2 CBM**
- You're **not in a hurry** to receive them

To find the perfect solution to transfer your goods via ocean, please contact one of our **SINO Sea Experts**. Fill our contact form or read our article on the topic: Sea Freight China to Japan.

Japan is one of the **largest world archipelagos** in north east Asia, in front of **Russia** on the southern extremity. The biggest area of **Kyushu, Shikoku, Honshu and Hokkaido prefecture** is representing the country population, and the biggest cities and the biggest ports of the country are.

Thanks to a tradition of water navigation territory, **vessels and ports infrastructure** in Japan. Nowadays, the country is **the third largest** Chinese and Korean neighbours. The **biggest cities** are **Tokyo and Osaka**. Tokyo and Yokohama are **more focused on the exports**. **Tokyo Bay** ports, Kisarazu, Yokohama, Chiba, Kawasaki are **oil and chemical products** are present **container ports**, far above the others.

****This is why in 2017, the volume of freight from China to Japan is the biggest in the world.***

SINO Note : Our great presence in Japan allows us to offer a complete range of sea freight possibilities. With numerous collaborators, we can plan the best solution for your needs.

online form in 1 min and get an answer within 48H !

Container Load (LCL) cargos for 20', container, bulk cargo or roro transfe environment.

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SEA FREIGHT TRANS

This table provides the average tran:

	Tokyo Yokohama
Guangzhou	10 days
Shenzhen	
Hong Kong	
Ningbo	
Shanghai	
Dalian	
Tianjin	
Qingdao	

SEA FREIGHT RATES

****As the two countries are particularly narrow, sea freight will almost be your all-tim***

To be clear, ocean freight is well appreciated by international traders because you can trans choose it if you're planning regular cargo through times with large volume of products.

SINO Advice : Contact one of our **SINO Shipping Specialists** to have precise transit times & Japan. Based on what you're asking us in terms of services, your shipment cost will be calcul

2. AIR FREIGHT FROM/TO JAPAN

Remark SINO : Air freight is not the advantage: **Transit times.**

China and Japan are well connected

Airports of Tokyo Narita and Osaka Kans also linking directly Japan to China. On 1 deserving Chinese cities like Shanghai a

Airports in Japan are **well-developed a international airports** for the whole cc Honshu. They are serving as intermedia international goods and passengers are destination in Japan. **Here are the citi**

- Tokyo; Narita and Haneda
- Chubu
- Osaka; Kansai and Osaka
- Nagasaki

Air freight will be the most efficient solution if :

- Your goods are **smaller than 2 CBM and 200 kg**
- You're in a **hurry** to receive/send the goods

AIR FREIGHT TRANS

6 hours door-to-door are necessary for products **within 3 days**, with an **express** will be transferred in **less than 8 days**.

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Remark SINO : It is hard to estimate as it mainly depends of the budget: a direct flight more expensive. In average, you can expect 5/8 days (export/import process included)

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AIR FREIGHT RATES

***Two methods must be employed to find out the chargeable weight of your shipme**

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INLAND TRUCKING IN JAPAN

****As your office or residence isn't located near a major port or airport, you may ask for***

SINO Shipping is honoured to provide great trucking services in the most of the Japanese **everywhere you are**. All the airports and ports where we are in Japan, have a trucking hub

FREIGHT INSURANCE

There is always a part of risk involved in a cargo. **A ship accident, a theft or a storm** are often teamed up with **the greatest freight insurers** in the market to cover your goods in any circumstances **refunded** in case of any damage on your goods. It will only cost 1-3%, depending on your goods

A missing of supplies can be fateful for most of the businesses. Avoid this situation by purchasing a freight policy.

SINO Info : For further information on the topic, we wrote a dedicated article detailing the freight Insurance. (<https://sino-shipping.com/insurance-freight-china/>)

RECURRENT QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SHIPPING TO JAPAN

WHAT IS THE SHIPPING COST FROM CHINA TO JAPAN?

LCL: 60 USD /cbm **FCL: 200 USD** /20': 300 /40' Express shipping door to door (10kg): 330 USD

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO SHIP FROM CHINA TO JAPAN?

Average transit time by sea: 7 days Average transit time by airfreight: 8 days (daily direct flight)

WHAT ARE THE BEST FREIGHT OPTIONS TO SEND GOOD FROM CHINA TO JAPAN?

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

HOW MUCH TAX WILL I PAY FOR IMPORTING GOODS FROM CHINA TO JAPAN?

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DO CUSTOMS OPEN EVERY PACKAGE?

No, they don't immediately open your package without any reason. ... They will only open if it has been damaged when it reached the Customs office or desk. The damages can include

HOW DO I AVOID CUSTOM CHARGES?

When you make a shipping request, you'll have to declare the value of your shipment. The be declared at customs, so it is important that you declare accurately. If you declare too high want to pay! If you declare too low a value, your declared value may be considered unreason

HOW CAN I REDUCE MY SHIPPING COSTS?

-Negotiate with multiple carriers -Get suppliers to use your shipping account number -Use carrier -Use online shipping -Invest in prepaid shipping -Buy insurance from a third party - Consider hybrid services -Ask about association discounts

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