

# Sea Freight from China to Sibü

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China → Sibü · via SBW air / Sibü sea · clearance by Royal Malaysian Customs Department (JKDM)



Cargo handling on the China-Sibü lane.

For buyers shipping into Sibü, the practical question is not the ocean or flight time but what happens after arrival. Sibü is Rajang river port in central Sarawak; cargo enters through SBW air / Sibü sea, and allow +1 day for the inland leg on top of clearance.

Clearance itself is handled by Royal Malaysian Customs Department (JKDM), and typical dwell at the gateway runs 2-4 days.

## What you will pay on arrival in Malaysia

Royal Malaysian Customs Department (JKDM) assesses duty and tax on cargo arriving for Sibü consignees. Current regime: Sales tax 5-10% plus 10% low-value-goods tax on online orders under MYR 500; duty 0-30%, largely 0% under ACFTA, with a de-minimis position of MYR 500 (low-value goods sold online are taxed regardless).

Conformity is the part most first-time importers underestimate: SIRIM certification and MCMC label for electrical and radio products; halal certification for food ingredients. Getting this wrong is expensive because it usually cannot be fixed after the cargo has landed.

**Restrictions and known friction points for Malaysia:** Electrical goods without a SIRIM label are routinely detained. Alcohol, e-cigarettes and vape liquid are restricted. Direct-to-consumer parcels are subject to the low-value goods tax collected at the point of sale.

## How this lane actually runs

Peninsular Malaysia is served through Port Klang and Tanjung Pelepas with very frequent South China sailings. East Malaysia (Sarawak and Sabah) is a separate customs territory in practice — cargo transships at Klang or Singapore and adds 5-8 days plus a second clearance step, so quote Kuching and Kota Kinabalu separately.

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| <b>Sea gateways used</b>             | Port Klang, Tanjung Pelepas, Penang |
| <b>Sea transit, China to gateway</b> | 5-9 calendar days                   |
| <b>Gateway serving Sibü</b>          | SBW air / Sibü sea                  |
| <b>Inland leg to Sibü</b>            | +1 day from the gateway             |
| <b>Typical clearance / dwell</b>     | 2-4 days                            |
| <b>Peak season to plan around</b>    | Sep-Nov                             |



Handling on the SBW air / Sibü sea routing serving Sibü.

## Pre-shipment checklist for Sibu

- Confirm the consignee in Sibu can act as importer of record — Royal Malaysian Customs Department (JKDM) will not release cargo to an unregistered party.
- Book earlier than the transit time suggests during Sep-Nov, when space on this lane tightens.
- Check the de-minimis position (MYR 500 (low-value goods sold online are taxed regardless)) against your invoice value before you decide how to split the shipment.
- Ask for the HS code in writing from your supplier and verify the Malaysia duty rate against it yourself.
- Get the conformity paperwork moving early: SIRIM certification and MCMC label for electrical and radio products; halal certification for food ingredients.
- 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 Sibu take?

China to the Malaysia gateway is 5–9 calendar days. On top of that, allow 2–4 days of clearance with Royal Malaysian Customs Department (JKDM) and a +1 day inland leg to Sibu.

What duty and tax will I pay importing into Sibu?

Royal Malaysian Customs Department (JKDM) applies: Sales tax 5–10% plus 10% low-value-goods tax on online orders under MYR 500; duty 0–30%, largely 0% under ACFTA. The de-minimis position is MYR 500 (low-value goods sold online are taxed regardless). Under a DDP arrangement these are pre-paid, so nothing is collected on arrival in Sibu.

Which port or airport does cargo for Sibu clear through?

Cargo for Sibu is routed via SBW air / Sibu sea. Sea gateways for Malaysia are Port Klang, Tanjung Pelepas, Penang; air gateways are KUL (Kuala Lumpur), PEN (Penang), BKI (Kota Kinabalu). We pick whichever gives the shortest total door time for your address.

Can you ship batteries or sensitive cargo to Sibu?

Yes. Battery cargo by sea moves under UN3480/UN3481 with an MSDS, and the dangerous-goods documentation is prepared as part of the booking into Port Klang, Tanjung Pelepas, Penang. Surcharges apply and space is more limited than for general cargo.

Can you deliver door-to-door in Sibu?

Yes. Delivery to a Sibu address is quoted as one figure covering freight, duty and tax owed to Royal Malaysian Customs Department (JKDM), and the +1 day inland leg. Confirm whether your consignee wants the goods at a warehouse, a marketplace fulfilment centre or a shop front, because the last-mile requirement differs.

What documents does Royal Malaysian Customs Department (JKDM) 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 (SIRIM certification and MCMC label for electrical and radio products; halal certification for food ingredients). We prepare and file these as part of the service.

## Other delivery cities in Malaysia

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- [China to Samalaju](#)
- [China to Lahad Datu](#)
- [China to Sandakan](#)
- [China to Tawau](#)
- [China to Kuala Lumpur](#)
- [China to Shah Alam](#)
- [China to Klang](#)
- [China to Johor Bahru](#)
- [China to Penang](#)
- [China to Ipoh](#)
- [China to Melaka](#)

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## References & official sources

Duty rates, thresholds and conformity requirements for Malaysia 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 Royal Malaysian Customs Department (JKDM) or your broker before you ship.

- [Royal Malaysian Customs Department](#)
- [SIRIM QAS International](#)
- [Port Klang Authority](#)
- [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.

- [Toys Toys, Sports, Outdoor & Leisure](#)

- [Baby Products Consumer Goods & Gifts](#)
- [Bathroom Accessories Consumer Goods & Gifts](#)
- [E-commerce Fulfilment E-commerce & Retail Channels](#)
- [Bearings Metal Products & Industrial Components](#)
- [Automation Equipment General Machinery & Industrial Equipment](#)
- [Electronics Manufacturing Equipment Specialised Production Machinery](#)
- [Generators New Energy, Power & Electrical](#)
- [Automotive Parts Automotive & Vehicles](#)
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## FCL Container Rates — China to Sibiu

Live port-to-port ocean freight for a full container into Sibiu, by origin port. Ocean freight only — origin haulage, customs clearance and destination delivery are quoted separately.

### Shekou → Sibiu

| Container | Rate (USD)   |
|-----------|--------------|
| 20GP      | <b>1,500</b> |
| 40HQ      | <b>2,850</b> |

- Carrier: STIC

[Full route page — Shekou to Sibiu →](#)

Spot allocations move week to week — reconfirm the rate against the current sailing before booking.

## Price Trend — Sibiu

Live rate for the linked route page, shown here for a quick read before you click through.

## Get a rate for Sibü

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 Malaysia route page](#) →

### Freight Rates to Malaysia

Current published rates — USD

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Sea · FCL Port-to-Port (Spot)

20GP **USD 1,200.00**

40HQ **USD 2,250.00**

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Sea · FCL Port-to-Port (Spot)

20GP **USD 1,250.00**

40HQ **USD 2,350.00**

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Sea · FCL Port-to-Port (Spot)

20GP **USD 950.00**

40HQ **USD 1,750.00**

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Sea · FCL Port-to-Port (Spot)

20GP **USD 1,250.00**

40HQ **USD 2,350.00**

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Sea · FCL Port-to-Port (Spot)

20GP **USD 1,350.00**

40HQ **USD 2,550.00**

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20GP **USD 1,500.00**

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✚ 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  $\div 6000$

× ×

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.