## **MENTAL CAPACITY ACT 2005**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **SCHEDULES**

Schedule 4: Provisions applying to existing enduring powers of attorney

## Part 7: Joint and joint and several attorneys

194. A document which appoints more than one attorney cannot create an EPA unless the attorneys are appointed to act jointly or jointly and severally. Where attorneys are appointed to act jointly and severally, if one of them fails to comply with the necessary requirements for the creation of an EPA, then the document will not create a power in his case. But this will not affect the creation of a power in relation to the other attorneys. If one or more (but not both or all) of the attorneys applies to register the document, they must notify the other attorney(s) of this.