## **CHILDCARE ACT 2006**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS AND SCHEDULES

Part 3 - Regulation of Provision of Childcare in England

Chapter 4 – Voluntary registration

Section 62: Applications for registration on the general register: childminders

132. Section 62 deals with applications for voluntary registration by childminders. This applies to childminders who are not required to be registered because, for example, they care only for children aged 8 and over or because they are exempt from registration by virtue of an order made by the Secretary of State under section 33(2) (which deals with early years childminders) or section 52(2) (which deals with later years childminders). Such childminders are able to make an application to be registered in Part B of the general childcare register. The prescribed registration requirements (which may, for example, relate to the applicant and the premises) must be satisfied, and applicants must pay a prescribed fee. The Chief Inspector must grant registration as long as the applicant is not disqualified under section 75, and the Chief Inspector is satisfied that registration requirements are met and will continue to be met.