19.20. Model: For a refrigerator $Q_{\rm H} = Q_{\rm C} + W_{\rm in}$, and the coefficient of performance and the Carnot coefficient of performance are

$$K = \frac{Q_{\rm C}}{W_{\rm in}}$$
 $K_{\rm Carnot} = \frac{T_{\rm C}}{T_{\rm H} - T_{\rm C}}$

Visualize: Please refer to Figure Ex19.20.

Solve: (a) For refrigerator (a) $Q_H = Q_C + W_{in}$ (60 J = 40 J + 20 J), so the first law of thermodynamics is obeyed. For refrigerator (b) 50 J = 40 J + 10 J, so the first law of thermodynamics is obeyed. For the refrigerator (c) $40 \text{ J} \neq 30 \text{ J} + 20 \text{ J}$, so the first law of thermodynamics is violated.

(b) For the three refrigerators, the maximum coefficient of performance is

$$K_{\text{Carnot}} = \frac{T_{\text{C}}}{T_{\text{H}} - T_{\text{C}}} = \frac{300 \text{ K}}{400 \text{ K} - 300 \text{ K}} = 3$$

For refrigerator (a),

$$K = \frac{Q_{\rm C}}{W_{\rm in}} = \frac{40 \text{ J}}{20 \text{ J}} = 2 < K_{\rm Carnot}$$

so the second law of thermodynamics is obeyed. For refrigerator (b),

$$K = \frac{Q_{\rm C}}{W_{\rm in}} = \frac{40 \text{ J}}{10 \text{ J}} = 4 > K_{\rm Carnot}$$

so the second law of thermodynamics is violated. For refrigerator (c),

$$K = \frac{30 \text{ J}}{20 \text{ J}} = 1.5 < K_{\text{Carnot}}$$

so the second law is obeyed.